

1901.

VICTORIA.

AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR 1899

(TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR OF ISSUE)

COMPILED FROM OFFICIAL RETURNS IN THE OFFICE OF THE
GOVERNMENT STATIST OF VICTORIA.

PRESENTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

By Authority:

ROBT. S. BRAIN, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, MELBOURNE.

No. 6.—[2s. 3d.]—104.

APPROXIMATE COST OF PAPER.

CONTENTS.

	PAGE
REPORT ...	5
SUMMARY FOR TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS ...	8-15
TABLE I.—AREA AND POPULATION ...	17
" II.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES ...	17
" III.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS OF CAPITAL CITIES ...	17
" IV.—AGES AT DEATH IN COLONIES AND CAPITAL CITIES ...	18
" V.—METEOROLOGY IN CAPITAL CITIES ...	19
" VI.—IMMIGRATION AND EMIGRATION ...	19
" VII.—STATE REVENUE BALANCES ...	19
" VIII.—" REVENUE ...	20
" IX.—" CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE ...	22
" IXA.—RATES OF DUTY ON SPIRITS, BEER, AND TOBACCO ...	24
" X.—STATE EXPENDITURE ...	25
" XI.—" EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS 1898-9 AND 1899-1900 ...	27
" XII.—" DEBT—INTEREST AND SINKING FUNDS ...	28
" XIII.—" UNFUNDED DEBT ...	28
" XIV.—" PURPOSES FOR WHICH CONTRACTED (EXPENDITURE) ...	29
" XV.—" INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ...	30
" XVI.—" INTEREST ON LOANS ...	30
" XVII.—" DUE DATES AND RATES OF INTEREST, OF LOANS; ALSO " XVIIA.—" SUMMARY ...	31
" XVIII.—FINANCES OF LOCAL BODIES OR CORPORATIONS ...	34
" XIX.—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS ...	35
" XX.—IMPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES ...	36
" XXI.—EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES ...	38
" XXII.—SHIPPING ...	39
" XXIII.—" TO AND FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES ...	40
" XXIV.—" AND COMMERCE AT PRINCIPAL AUSTRALASIAN PORTS ...	40
" XXV.—RAILWAYS ...	41
" XXVI.—" PRIVATE ...	43
" XXVII.—TRAMWAYS ...	43
" XXVIII.—POSTAL RETURNS ...	44
" XXIX.—TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES ...	45
" XXX.—MONEY ORDERS ...	45
" XXXI.—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, POSTS, TELEGRAPHS, AND TELEPHONES	46
" XXXII.—" " " " SUMMARY FOR SIX YEARS ...	47
" XXXIII.—CROWN LANDS ALIENATED ...	47
" XXXIV.—SCHOOLS—STATE (PRIMARY) ...	48
" XXXV.—" PRIVATE ...	48
" XXXVI.—AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS—LAND IN CULTIVATION ...	49
" XXXVII.—" " " PRODUCE OF CROPS ...	50
" XXXVIII.—LIVE STOCK ...	51
" XXXIX.—PRODUCTION—WOOL ...	51
" XL.—" FROZEN MEAT EXPORTED ...	52
" XLI.—" BREADSTUFFS IMPORTED AND EXPORTED ...	52
" XLII.—" BUTTER AND CHEESE IMPORTED AND EXPORTED ...	53
" XLIII.—" " " BACON AND HAM PRODUCED ...	53
" XLIV.—" GOLD ...	54
" XLV.—" COAL ...	54
" XLVI.—" OTHER MINERALS ...	55
" XLVII.—INTERCHANGE OF COIN AND BULLION ...	55
" XLVIII.—CONSUMPTION OF STIMULANTS, TEA, TOBACCO, AND SUGAR, 1899 ...	56
" XLVIIIa.—" " PER HEAD, 1891-9 ...	57

	PAGE
TABLE XLIX.—BANKS OF ISSUE	57
" L.—,, SAVINGS	58
" LI.—,, (GENERAL) OF THREE COLONIES	58
" LII.—STATE ADVANCES TO FARMERS	59
" LIII.—RATEABLE PROPERTY—CAPITAL AND ANNUAL VALUE OF ...	59
" LIV.—PROBATE AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION ...	60
" LV.—LIFE INSURANCE	60
" LVI.—FRIENDLY SOCIETIES	60
" LVII.—CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS—INMATES ...	61
" LVIII.—CRIME, 1899	61
" LIX.—INSOLVENCIES	61
APPENDIX A.—CENSUS RETURNS, 1891—	
1. Population, 1881 and 1891	62
2. Ages of the People, 1891	62
3. Birthplaces	63
4. National Origin of Australian People, 1891 ...	63
5. Religions of the People, 1891 ...	63
6. Conjugal Condition of Adults, 1891 ...	63
7. Breadwinners and Dependents, 1891 ...	64
8. Occupations by Classes, 1891 ...	64
9. " under 25 heads, 1891 ...	65
APPENDIX B.—MISCELLANEOUS RETURNS—	
1. Value of Properties to be handed over to Federal Government ...	67
2. Net Immigration, Assisted and Unassisted, 1851 to 1899 ...	67
3. Overland Migration by Rail, 1891 to 1899 ...	67
4. Revenue and Expenditure of four leading Federations ...	68
5. General Revenue, 1874–5 and 1898–9 ...	68
6. Ordinary Expenditure, 1874–5 and 1898–9 ...	68
7. Rates of Customs Duties on Principal Articles ...	69
7A. Rates of Customs and Excise on Spirits, Beer, and Tobacco ...	70
8. Taxation by Customs ...	71
9. " on Imports for Consumption ...	71
10. Principal Groups of Articles Imported and Exported to and from Australasia, 1899 ...	72
11. Articles Consumed, proportion Locally produced ...	72
12. Value of Stock, &c., representing Funded Debt ...	73
13. Relative Indebtedness ...	73
14. Interest Savable by renewing Loans by 3 per cent. Stock at par ...	73
15. Australian Stock, Highest Prices in London, 1900 ...	74
15A. " Interest Return to Investors, 1900 ...	74
16. Ports, Harbors, and Lights—Revenue and Expenditure ...	75
17. Local Bodies, &c.—Revenue and Expenditure ...	76
18. Sources of Municipal Revenue ...	76
19. Local Bodies, &c., Loans of ...	76
20. Funded Debts—State and Local ...	77
21. Members and Electors, Upper House ...	77
22. " Lower House ...	77
23. Votes Polled, &c., Lower House ...	77
APPENDIX C.—STATISTICS OF FIJI, 1878 TO 1899	78
APPENDIX D.—STATISTICS OF BRITISH NEW GUINEA, 1888–9 TO 1898–9	80

REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT STATIST,

Melbourne, 15th February, 1901.

SIR,

I have the honour to transmit the Australasian Statistics for the year 1899. In several instances, however, information is brought on to later periods, especially those portions relating to finance.

Preliminary returns, embodying the leading particulars of these Statistics, were forwarded to the Government Printer on the 15th March, 29th April, and 13th May, 1900, and were duly published in the *Government Gazette*.

Since the last issue of this work, Australian Federation has been consummated, six of the principal colonies having entered the Union under the title of the "Commonwealth of Australia." The term "Australia" therefore now embraces the whole of the five continental colonies, together with the Island of Tasmania, and each federated colony will in future be called a State.

In addition to the usual tables, which are in the same form as in the last issue of this work, two Appendices (A and B) have been added containing information which may prove of interest and utility in dealing with questions bearing on Federation. The first embodies the leading results of the Census of 1891, and the other a set of miscellaneous returns bearing on such matters as the Capital Value of Properties to be handed over to the Federal Government, Assisted and Unassisted Immigration at various periods, the Growth of Revenue and Expenditure, Customs Taxation, Savings to be effected in the Public Debt, Municipal Finances, &c.

The Statistics embodied in the issue for 1898 were reproduced in pamphlet form and also published in the *Victorian Year-Book*, and it is proposed to deal in a similar manner with the Statistics presented in this issue.

The table relating to Fiji (Appendix C) now contains information for twenty-two years, and that for New Guinea (Appendix D) for eleven years.

This being the twenty-seventh issue of these Statistics, the Statistical Summary at the commencement of the work now contains information for the years 1873 to 1899. It will be noticed that the folding sheet—which had grown to unwieldy dimensions—has been abandoned in favour of a distribution of the information over several consecutive pages, which it is believed will be far more convenient for reference.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES J. FENTON,
Assistant Government Statist.

The Honorable the Chief Secretary.

SUMMARY OF AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS
FROM 1873 TO 1899.

Colony.	Year.	Population on the 31st December. ¹	Public Revenue. ²						Public Expenditure. ²	Public Debt at end of the year. ³	Shipping Inwards and Outwards.		Miles open at the end of each year.		AGRICULTURE.					
			Births.		Deaths.		Marriages.				Imports.		Exports.		Total Cultivation. ⁵		Wheat.			
							Total.	Portion raised by Taxation.			Vessels.	Tons.	Rail-way. ⁴	Telegraph line (poles)	Acres.	Acres.	Bushels.			
VICTORIA.	1873	772,039	28,100	11,501	4,974	29,460	26,294	3,644,135	1,784,056	3,504,953	12,445,722	16,533,856	15,302,454	4,413	1,519,015	458	2,295	964,996	349,976	4,752,289
	1874	783,274	26,800	12,222	4,925	30,732	27,365	4,106,790	1,896,842	4,177,338	13,990,553	15,441,109	4,222	1,599,619	605	2,467	1,011,776	332,936	4,850,165	
	1875	791,399	26,720	15,287	4,985	32,744	29,342	4,236,423	1,724,822	4,318,121	13,995,093	16,685,874	14,766,974	4,394	1,673,885	617	2,629	1,126,831	321,401	4,978,914
	1876	801,717	26,769	13,561	4,949	35,979	31,977	4,325,156	1,780,392	4,572,844	17,011,382	15,705,354	14,196,487	4,236	1,657,088	719	2,743	1,231,105	401,417	5,279,730
	1877	815,494	26,010	12,776	5,103	41,196	33,943	4,723,877	1,770,685	4,358,096	17,018,913	16,362,304	15,157,687	4,411	1,874,985	950	2,885	1,420,502	564,564	7,018,257
	1878	827,439	26,581	12,702	5,092	42,268	37,492	4,504,413	1,712,953	4,634,349	17,022,065	16,161,880	14,925,707	4,292	1,913,427	1,052	2,970	1,609,278	691,622	6,060,737
	1879	840,620	26,839	12,120	4,986	44,384	39,212	4,621,520	1,730,988	4,833,379	20,050,753	15,035,538	12,454,170	4,167	1,940,222	1,125	3,155	1,688,275	707,188	9,398,858
	1880	860,067	26,148	11,652	5,286	56,955	45,294	4,621,282	1,690,923	4,875,029	22,060,749	14,556,894	15,954,555	4,191	1,79,899	1,199	*	1,997,943	977,285	9,727,369
	1881	879,886	27,145	12,302	5,896	59,066	51,744	2,003,704	5,186,011	5,108,642	22,426,502	16,718,521	16,252,103	4,248	2,411,902	1,247	*	1,821,719	926,729	8,714,377
	1882	899,562	26,747	13,634	6,309	59,404	48,524	5,592,362	2,317,706	5,145,764	22,103,202	18,748,081	16,193,579	4,168	2,690,884	1,355	*	2,040,916	969,362	8,751,454
	1883	920,694	27,541	13,006	6,771	66,592	55,562	5,611,253	2,334,255	5,651,885	24,308,175	17,743,846	16,398,863	4,087	2,964,331	1,562	*	2,215,923	1,104,392	15,570,245
	1884	944,564	28,850	13,505	7,218	72,202	58,061	5,934,687	2,318,520	5,715,293	27,526,667	19,201,633	16,050,405	3,975	1,515,587	1,663	*	2,323,493	1,096,354	10,433,146
	1885	969,202	29,975	14,394	7,395	76,977	61,994	6,290,361	2,548,171	6,140,356	28,628,588	18,044,604	15,551,758	4,273	3,260,158	1,676	*	2,405,157	1,020,082	9,170,538
	1886	1,000,510	30,824	14,952	7,737	93,404	68,102	6,481,021	2,634,560	6,513,540	30,114,203	18,530,575	11,795,321	4,631	3,735,387	1,743	*	2,417,582	1,052,685	12,100,036
	1887	1,032,993	33,043	16,005	7,768	90,147	68,121	6,733,826	2,739,935	6,561,251	33,127,382	19,022,151	11,351,145	4,853	3,858,243	1,880	*	2,576,405	1,232,943	13,328,765
	1888	1,076,966	34,503	16,287	8,946	102,032	60,229	7,607,598	3,071,003	7,287,151	34,627,382	23,972,134	13,853,763	5,354	4,307,883	2,018	*	2,564,742	1,217,191	8,647,709
	1889	1,103,727	36,359	19,392	9,194	84,582	68,418	8,675,990	3,749,670	7,919,902	37,367,027	24,402,760	12,734,734	5,741	4,599,178	2,199	3,967	2,627,262	1,178,735	11,495,720
	1890	1,133,266	37,578	18,012	9,187	79,677	63,820	8,519,159	3,630,814	9,645,737	41,443,216	22,954,015	13,266,222	4,933	4,363,341	2,471	6,958	2,652,768	1,145,163	12,751,295
	1891	1,157,678	38,505	18,631	8,780	62,448	53,172	8,343,588	3,252,638	9,128,699	43,638,897	21,711,608	16,006,743	5,091	4,715,109	2,764	7,170	2,687,575	1,332,683	13,679,268
	1892	1,167,373	37,831	15,851	7,723	62,951	69,214	7,729,572	3,149,310	8,482,917	46,774,125	17,174,545	14,214,546	4,521	4,456,254	2,904	7,112	2,970,115	1,342,504	14,814,645
	1893	1,174,006	36,552	16,508	7,904	74,047	80,460	6,959,229	2,522,779	7,989,757	46,064,004	13,283,814	13,308,551	3,776	4,029,738	2,958	7,105	3,019,009	1,469,359	15,255,200
	1894	1,179,103	34,258	15,430	7,929	84,261	90,110	6,716,814	2,497,567	7,310,246	46,804,382	12,470,546	14,128	4,291,459	3,003	7,141	2,980,299	1,373,668	11,445,878	
	1895	1,181,751	33,706	15,036	7,181	81,199	88,886	6,712,152	2,712,313	6,760,439	46,828,517	12,472,344	14,547,732	3,837	4,348,986	3,104	7,091	2,884,514	1,412,736	5,669,174
	1896	1,174,944	32,178	15,714	7,625	84,872	99,419	6,458,682	2,691,009	6,540,182	46,854,311	14,554,837	14,198,518	3,782	4,566,230	3,106	6,977	3,097,998	1,580,613	7,091,029
	1897	1,176,248	31,310	15,126	7,568	90,847	97,301	6,630,217	2,645,187	6,568,932	46,929,321	15,454,482	16,739,070	3,770	4,865,372	3,113	6,947	3,260,312	1,657,450	10,580,217
	1898	1,175,463	30,172	18,695	7,620	94,436	98,225	6,898,240	2,910,237	6,692,444	47,058,088	16,768,904	15,872,246	4,051	4,956,737	3,113	6,599	3,877,922	2,154,163	19,581,304
	1899	1,163,400	31,008	16,578	8,140	85,384	86,947	7,396,944	3,085,805	7,114,706	48,774,885	17,952,894	18,567,780	4,055	5,341,455	3,127	6,747	3,820,505	2,165,693	15,237,948
NEW SOUTH WALES.	1873	553,833	21,444	7,611	4,384	24,022	16,770	3,324,713	1,382,752	2,333,166	10,842,415	11,815,829	4,373	1,762,478	397	*	456,825	166,647	2,238,414	
	1874	574,943	22,178	8,652	4,343	29,756	19,279	3,509,966	1,217,401	2,939,227	10,516,371	12,345,603	4,385	1,990,894	401	*	404,957	166,912	2,148,394	
	1875	594,297	22,528	10,771	4,605	30,967	20,350	4,121,996	1,138,901	3,341,324	11,470,637	13,490,200	13,671,580	4,670	2,168,187	437	*	451,139	133,610	1,958,640
	1876	614,181	23,298	11,193	4,630	32,942	21,923	5,033,828	1,161,406	4,749,013	11,759,519	13,672,776	13,003,941	4,578	2,127,725	554	*	513,840	145,609	2,391,979
	1877	643,707	23,851	9,869	4,994	38,628	20,174	5,748,245	1,235,021	4,527,979	11,724,419	14,606,594	13,125,819	4,662	2,237,981	643	6,000	546,556	176,687	2,445,507
	1878	671,888	25,328	10,763	5,317	39,879	22,913	4,983,864	1,309,717	5,130,973	11,688,119	14,768,873	12,965,879	4,856	2,459,504	733	7,078	613,642	233,253	3,439,326
	1879	709,459	26,933	10,200	5,391	44,501	20,695	4,475,059	1,272,721	5,839,150	14,937,419	14,198,847	13,886,819	4,787	2,540,724	736	7,517	635,641	233,368	3,613,266
	1880	747,950	28,162	11,231	5,572	45,870	26,559	4,904,230	1,417,293	5,685,078	14,903,919	13,950,075	15,525,138	4,151	2,432,779	849	7,955	706,498	252,540	3,708,737
	1881	782,080	28,993	11,536	6,284	50,097	29,354	6,714,327	1,770,848	5,890,580	16,924,019	17,409,326	16,049,503	4,357	2,786,500	1,041	8,515	645,068	221,888	3,405,966
	1882	815,000	29,702	12,816	6,948	46,113	28,925	7,410,737	1,030,413	6,449,418	18,721,219	21,281,130	16,716,961	4,777	3,296,665	1,313	9,013	733,583	247,361	4,042,395
	1883	861,310	31,281	12,249	7,405	65,837	36,724	6,470,341	1,891,708	7,787,081	21,632,459	20,960,157	19,886,018	5,361	4,006,237	1,365	9,315	789,		

AGRICULTURE.

LIVE STOCK.

Colony.	Year.	AGRICULTURE.														LIVE STOCK.					
		Oats.		Barley.		Maize.		Other Cereals.		Potatoes.		Hay.		Vines.		Green Forage.	Other Tillage.	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep	Pigs.
		Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Wine, Gallons.	Acres.	Acres.				
VICTORIA.	1873	110,991	1,741,451	25,333	502,601	1,959	40,347	14,951	207,020	38,349	109,822	115,672	147,398	5,222	562,713	213,069	89,474	180,342	883,763	11,323,080	160,336
	1874	114,921	2,121,612	29,505	619,896	1,523	24,263	17,266	333,002	35,183	124,310	119,031	157,261	4,937	577,493	254,329	102,145	180,254	958,658	11,221,036	137,941
	1875	124,100	2,719,795	31,568	700,665	2,346	37,177	20,146	470,304	36,901	124,377	155,274	206,613	5,081	755,000	308,405	121,609	196,184	1,054,598	11,749,532	140,765
	1876	115,209	2,294,225	25,034	530,323	1,609	25,909	22,388	389,134	40,450	134,082	147,408	180,560	4,765	481,588	362,554	110,271	194,768	1,128,265	11,278,893	175,578
	1877	105,234	2,040,486	19,116	378,706	1,215	22,050	18,361	250,859	37,107	115,419	176,951	208,151	4,419	457,535	390,330	103,205	203,150	1,169,576	10,117,867	183,391
	1878	134,428	2,366,026	22,871	417,157	1,939	40,754	16,932	269,252	36,527	98,958	172,799	209,028	4,434	410,333	401,427	126,299	210,105	1,184,843	9,379,276	177,373
	1879	167,617	4,023,271	43,182	1,065,430	2,447	61,887	22,698	593,361	41,600	167,943	201,451	292,407	4,284	574,143	305,790	192,020	216,710	1,129,358	8,651,775	144,733
	1880	134,089	2,362,425	68,630	1,068,830	1,769	49,299	24,947	417,299	45,951	129,262	249,656	300,581	4,980	484,028	264,611	226,025	275,516	1,286,267	10,360,285	241,936
	1881	146,995	3,612,111	48,652	927,566	1,783	81,007	26,909	634,321	39,129	134,290	212,150	238,796	4,923	539,191	241,947	172,502	278,195	1,286,677	10,267,265	239,926
	1882	169,892	4,446,027	43,721	758,477	2,702	131,620	27,969	712,751	34,267	129,605	309,382	327,385	5,732	516,763	290,438	187,451	280,874	1,287,088	10,174,246	237,917
	1883	188,161	4,717,624	46,832	1,069,803	2,570	117,294	31,703	807,820	40,195	161,088	302,957	433,143	7,326	723,560	286,866	204,921	286,779	1,297,546	10,739,021	233,525
	1884	187,710	4,392,695	62,273	1,082,430	3,854	176,388	36,227	862,364	38,763	161,119	339,725	371,046	9,042	760,752	332,859	216,686	293,846	1,287,945	10,637,412	234,347
	1885	215,994	4,692,303	74,112	1,302,854	4,530	181,240	36,114	769,629	42,602	163,202	421,036	442,118	9,775	1,003,827	334,399	246,513	304,998	1,290,790	10,681,837	239,387
	1886	185,765	4,256,079	37,031	827,852	4,901	231,447	29,434	594,555	49,974	170,661	445,150	483,049	9,604,041	284,186	318,146	308,553	1,303,265	10,700,403	240,957	
	1887	199,036	4,562,530	40,983	956,476	6,031	318,551	27,761	746,960	48,263	198,225	441,812	624,122	11,195	1,167,874	164,457	403,924	315,000	1,333,873	10,623,985	243,461
	1888	197,518	2,803,800	83,483	1,131,427	5,789	267,155	32,331	372,468	43,074	131,149	411,332	308,117	12,750	1,206,442	192,540	368,734	323,115	1,370,660	10,818,575	245,818
	1889	236,496	5,644,867	90,724	1,831,132	8,447	357,047	23,873	544,781	47,139	157,104	451,546	666,385	15,662	1,578,590	155,596	419,044	329,335	1,394,209	10,882,231	249,673
	1890	221,048	4,919,325	87,751	1,571,599	10,357	574,083	26,940	756,893	53,818	204,155	413,052	567,779	20,686	2,008,493	245,332	428,621	436,469	1,782,881	12,692,843	282,457
	1891	190,157	4,455,551	45,021	844,198	8,230	461,957	31,614	776,691	57,334	200,523	369,498	514,406	24,483	1,554,130	184,184	444,371	440,696	1,812,104	12,928,148	286,780
	1892	177,645	4,574,816	37,533	774,207	6,667	373,183	32,971	989,503	40,594	142,623	512,648	740,049	28,052	1,694,745	249,719	514,782	439,596	1,296,536	290,339	6
	1893	218,904	4,951,371	49,105	1,033,861	6,485	180,442	42,872	1,059,087	40,909	144,708	412,223	503,355	30,275	1,490,184	240,835	508,042	436,903	1,817,291	13,098,725	328,162
	1894	266,444	5,633,286	97,360	1,596,463	5,675	294,555	38,252	734,571	56,383	196,706	492,578	621,547	30,307	1,909,972	217,847	401,785	431,547	1,833,900	1,318,0943	337,588
	1895	255,503	2,880,045	78,438	715,592	7,186	351,891	33,713	295,724	43,895	117,238	464,482	390,861	30,365	2,226,999	206,190	352,006	*	*	*	*
	1896	419,460	6,816,951	62,373	815,605	9,752	566,027	22,643	163,348	34,532	146,555	416,667	449,956	27,934	2,822,263	195,625	319,399	*	*	*	*
	1897	294,183	4,809,479	37,205	758,454	10,847	515,025	13,818	161,237	44,197	67,296	580,000	659,635	27,701	1,919,389	138,425	456,486	*	*	*	*
	1898	266,159	5,523,419	47,859	1,112,567	10,647	587,064	13,246	237,361	41,252	161,142	565,345	723,299	27,568	1,882,209	169,962	581,721	*	*	12,300,000	*
	1899	271,280	6,116,046	79,573	1,466,088	11,037	624,844	13,293	178,310	55,469	173,381	450,189	596,193	27,550	933,282	170,523	575,898	*	1,899,752	*	*
NEW SOUTH WALES.	1873	16,173	302,600	3,559	66,225	116,141	4,120,112	1,607	25,191	14,212	42,281	70,701	108,945	4,526	575,985	36,399	26,860	334,462	2,794,327	18,990,595	240,680
	1874	17,973	293,135	3,984	69,053	118,437	3,618,436	1,351	20,997	13,604	38,564	68,088	93,440	4,308	684,258	40,589	297,111	346,691	2,856,699	22,797,416	219,958
	1875	18,856	352,966	4,817	98,576	117,582	3,410,517	1,091	14,349	13,806	41,203	77,125	88,968	4,459	831,749	50,634	29,159	357,696	3,134,086	2,535,924	199,950
	1876	21,828	461,916	5,662	134,158	116,365	3,879,537	1,571	29,957	14,171	42,939	111,946	159,661	4,457	799,709	61,516	30,715	366,703	3,131,013	2,526,975	173,604
	1877	18,581	358,853	5,055	99,485	105,510	3,551,806	1,465	33,309	13,862	34,958	125,778	154,076	4,184	708,431	65,073	30,360	328,150	2,746,385	2,152,1662	191,677
	1878	22,129	447,912	6,152	132,072	130,582	4,420,580	1,604	27,621	16,725	53,590	104,096	172,407	4,237	684,733	60,249	34,615	336,468	2,771,583	2,547,9484	220,320
	1879	23,883	516,937	6,130	131,541	135,034	4,761,856	1,128	18,728	19,271	62,228	112,414	162,763	4,266	733,576	64,644	35,503	360,038	2,914,210	30,062,910	256,026
	1880	179,23	356,121	7,890	160,602	125,679	4,483,457	1,365	22,290	18,996	51,936	130,443	173,074	4,800	602,007	102,301	44,561	395,984	2,580,040	35,398,121	308,205
	1881	16,348	356,566	6,427	135,218	117,478	4,930,956	1,119	17,298	15,944	44,323	146,610	198,532	4,028	513,688	75,825	39,401	398,577	36,591,946	213,916	
	1882	24,818	617,405	6,474	133,050	118,180	4,057,635	1,232	20,447	14,462	43,461	179,567	242,921	4,448	543,596	92,606	44,435	328,026	1,859,985	36,114,814	154,815
	1883	17,810	376,635	5,081	106,496	123,634	4,538,604	1,425	20,353	14,954	36,977	178,504	229,242	2,660	589,604	107,994	47,263	326,964			

QUEENSLAND AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

QUEENSLAND.

Colony.	Year	Population on the 31st December: ¹				Public Revenue: ²				Public Debt at end of the year: ³				Shipping Inwards and Outwards				Miles open at the end of each year		AGRICULTURE			
		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Inmigr. grants by Sea.	Emigr. grants by Sea.	Total.	£	£	£	£	£	Imports.	Exports.	Vessels	Tons.	Rail-way. ⁴	Telegraph line (poles)	Acres.	Acres.	Wheat.	Bushels.	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.	1873	146,690	5,720	2,250	1,354	15,141	5,474	1,120,034	546,732	956,335	4,782,850	2,885,499	3,542,513	1,151	352,524	218	3,059	64,218	3,554	82,381			
	1874	163,517	6,383	2,794	1,340	20,951	7,713	1,160,947	552,758	1,121,710	5,249,935	4,106,446	1,370	572,750	249	3,616	70,311	3,592	*	*			
	1875	181,288	6,706	4,104	1,487	24,806	9,640	1,261,464	562,227	1,404,198	6,435,250	3,328,009	3,857,575	1,699	764,182	265	3,956	77,347	4,478	*	*		
	1876	137,100	6,903	3,467	1,394	24,831	9,695	1,232,268	563,776	1,283,520	6,435,250	3,126,559	3,875,581	1,849	874,342	298	4,663	85,570	5,700				
	1877	203,084	7,169	3,373	1,477	22,596	10,408	1,436,582	609,861	1,382,866	7,685,350	4,068,682	4,361,275	2,104	956,844	357	5,933	105,949	8,744	92,941			
	1878	210,510	7,397	4,220	1,444	16,139	11,890	1,559,111	694,062	1,543,820	8,935,350	3,436,077	3,190,419	2,228	1,966,758	428	5,410	117,489	9,618	130,452			
	1879	217,851	7,870	3,207	1,604	13,828	11,15C	1,461,844	631,289	1,678,631	10,192,550	3,080,889	3,443,034	2,512	1,256,594	503	5,871	106,864	3,607	2,925	22,343		
	1880	226,077	8,196	3,017	1,547	16,223	1,612,314	10,349	1,673,695	12,192,150	3,087,296	3,448,446	2,446	1,255,160	633	5,768	120,881	10,944					
	1881	226,968	8,220	3,320	1,703	16,223	9,209	2,023,668	657,753	1,757,654	12,445,150	4,063,255	3,540,366	2,663	1,523,808	800	6,280	128,075	4,708	39,612			
	1882	248,255	8,518	4,274	2,934	27,000	9,957	2,102,995	806,719	1,904,201	13,125,350	6,318,463	3,534,452	2,950	1,886,591	867	6,344	158,686	10,494	145,752			
	1883	287,475	9,890	5,041	2,392	46,330	11,959	2,583,444	929,430	2,242,971	17,907,850	6,233,351	5,276,668	1,803	882,491	1,038	6,654	167,476	9,879	42,842			
	1884	302,090	10,679	6,861	2,661	36,883	18,263	2,673,554	1,090,445	2,475,851	16,479,850	6,381,976	4,673,864	2,103	1,052,112	1,207	6,979	199,880	12,105	195,579			
	1885	315,489	11,677	6,235	2,842	34,768	2,840,828	1,200,111	1,785,600	19,320,850	6,422,490	5,243,440	1,887	2,091,181	1,434	7,533	209,130	10,993	51,598				
	1886	338,580	12,582	5,575	2,775	34,101	20,911	2,810,147	1,196,651	3,202,030	22,020,850	6,103,227	4,933,970	1,895	1,120,479	1,555	8,225	21,122	21,122				
	1887	354,510	13,513	5,166	2,914	32,393	16,414	3,032,463	1,338,838	3,350,049	23,320,850	5,821,611	6,453,945	1,717	924,332	1,765	8,772	205,737	8,248	182,308			
	1888	367,950	14,247	5,529	3,254	30,392	18,030	3,463,097	1,577,671	3,368,445	25,840,950	6,646,738	6,126,362	1,864	996,229	1,931	9,167	214,002	9,305	82,263			
	1889	380,530	14,440	6,132	3,123	27,834	16,778	3,446,249	1,574,606	3,594,626	25,840,950	6,052,562	7,73,630	1,533	1,001,009	2,064	9,456	247,733	134,335				
	1890	399,215	15,407	5,638	3,195	24,464	18,817	3,260,308	1,471,983	3,747,521	28,105,684	5,066,450	8,554,519	1,222	910,779	2,112	9,830	239,618	10,390				
	1891	410,330	15,170	5,170	2,905	18,699	16,892	3,405,887	1,502,304	3,673,332	24,457,134	5,079,004	8,300,587	1,170	977,118	2,195	9,973	258,004	19,306	392,309			
	1892	421,297	14,903	5,266	2,774	14,646	13,566	3,538,806	1,403,885	3,580,984	29,457,134	4,382,657	9,170,408	1,098	972,428	2,320	9,996	260,828	31,742	462,583			
	1893	432,299	14,394	5,695	2,524	15,351	13,628	3,337,785	1,335,554	3,521,866	26,639,534	4,352,783	9,632,662	1,214	945,628	2,373	10,004	252,975	9,305	413,094			
	1894	445,155	15,397	5,298	2,502	18,900	14,992	3,543,679	1,346,787	3,535,534	26,639,534	4,337,400	8,795,559	1,278	928,05	2,379	9,986	284,952	8,456	545,185			
	1895	460,550	15,152	5,152	2,821	18,653	16,953	3,413,171	1,417,491	3,480,434	21,873,934	5,349,007	8,982,600	1,278	971,905	2,379	9,976	299,278	27,990	123,630			
	1896	472,179	14,017	5,245	2,823	19,544	16,906	3,614,583	1,566,983	3,567,947	21,873,934	5,433,271	9,163,726	1,294	1,004,048	2,430	10,022	348,735	35,831	601,254			
	1897	484,700	14,313	5,423	2,894	19,615	15,760	3,613,150	1,500,344	3,604,264	23,349,414	5,429,191	9,901,557	1,296	1,288,900	2,515	10,146	401,002	59,875	1,009,293			
	1898	498,523	13,933	6,243	2,972	23,713	18,083	3,768,152	1,559,645	3,747,428	23,359,841	6,007,266	10,856,127	1,213	1,098,310	2,636	10,146	421,830	46,219	607,012			
	1899	482,400	13,899	6,144	3,449	27,217	21,271	4,174,086	1,750,410	4,024,170	34,348,414	6,764,097	11,942,858	1,292	1,464,063	2,746	10,202	474,849	52,527	614,414			
QUEENSLAND.	1873	198,075	7,107	2,631	1,562	4,548	3,172	937,648	362,246	839,152	2,174,900	3,841,100	4,587,859	1,531	515,640	202	3,004	1,225,073	784,784	6,178,16			
	1874	204,623	7,666	3,434	1,611	5,557	3,271	1,003,820	370,440	1,051,622	2,989,750	3,983,290	4,402,855	1,440	534,550	234	3,065	1,330,484	839,638	9,862,693			
	1875	210,442	7,408	4,036	1,663	4,019	1,435,312	3,391,013	1,176,412	3,20,600	4,805,051	1,634	611,381	274	3,069	1,444,866	898,820	10,739,834					
	1876	225,677	8,222	3,550	1,852	4,995	1,320,201	445,554	1,323,371	10,000	4,571,83	4,816,170	1,781	732,330	328	4,661	1,544,916	5,837,522	5,857,569				
	1877	236,864	8,604	3,202	14,661	8,367	1,441,401	499,885	1,443,653	4,737,200	4,626,551	1,707	672,776	328	4,661	1,583,646	9,034,249						
	1878	248,795	9,282	3,749	2,299	14,572	8,174	1,592,634	519,254	1,620,310	5,329,600	5,719,611	5,355,021	2,061	906,273	454	4,217	2,011,319	1,035,851	9,332,049			
	1879	259,460	9,902	3,580	2,238	13,480	9,137	1,662,498	526,366	1,847,256	6,605,750	5,014,150	4,762,727	2,131	932,891	559	4,393	2,271,958	1,458,926	14,260,964			
	1880	267,573	10,260	3,916	2,291	14,765	13,002	2,027,963	529,450	1,932,605	9,865,500	5,581,497	5,574,505	2,156	1,200,904	667	4,754	2,574,489	1,733,422	8,606,510			
	1881	286,324	10,708	4,012	2,330	19,552	16,800	2,171,988	557,188	5,244,285	11,196,600	4,407,475	2,153	1,260,491	832	4,946	2,613,933	1,768,781	8,087,317				
	1882	293,509	10,844	4,339	2,530	14,870	14,156	2,088,776	653,864	2,106,599	12,472,600	6,707,788	5,359,890	2,212	1,337,218	945	5,092	2,370,980	1,746,531	7,336,717			
	1883	304,515	11,173	4,435	2,539	19,830	15,562	2,060,140	637,751	2,330,979	13,891,900	6,310,055	4,883,461	2,136	988	5161	2,754,560	1,846,51	14,649,230				
	1884	312,781	11,847	4,789	2,555	17,290	16,082	2,024,928	563,841	2,398,101	15,473,800	5,749,353	6,623,704	2,231	1,834,532	1,059	5,278	2,785,490	1,942,453	14,621,755			
	1885	313,423	12,046	3,987	2,447	14,500	2,059,596	2,309,592	749,447	2,454,808	17,020,900												

AGRICULTURE.

LIVE STOCK.

Colony.	Year.	AGRICULTURE.														LIVE STOCK.						
		Oats.		Barley.		Maize.		Other Cereals.		Potatoes.		Hay.		Vines.		Green Forage, ^b	Other Tillage, ^c	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep	Pigs.	
		Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Wine, Gallons.	Acres.	Acres.					
QUEENSLAND.	1873	353	7,060	588	11,760	21,140	845,600	178	3,560	3,069	6,138	5,772	11,544	364	41,479	1,894	27,306	99,243	1,343,093	7,268,946	42,884	
	1874	178	*	361	*	30,998	*	387	*	3,316	*	5,554	*	413	70,425	3,359	22,173	107,507	1,610,105	7,180,792	44,517	
	1875	114	*	613	*	38,711	*	251	*	3,056	*	8,531	*	376	77,404	2,863	18,354	121,497	1,812,576	7,227,774	46,447	
	1876	162	*	688	*	41,705	*	270	*	3,928	*	9,423	*	523	93,841	4,821	18,349	133,625	2,079,979	7,315,074	53,455	
	1877	74	748	638	10,758	44,718	1,262,018	419	*	4,603	8,778	9,914	12,919	655	87,051	10,771	24,513	140,174	2,299,582	6,272,766	52,371	
	1878	132	1,274	1,065	16,904	53,799	1,539,510	548	*	3,882	9,063	13,904	18,553	605	64,407	6,875	27,061	148,226	2,469,555	5,631,634	50,301	
	1879	175	4,330	1,789	44,160	48,365	1,511,006	259	*	4,761	14,404	11,645	22,854	743	104,674	7,585	27,935	163,342	2,805,984	6,083,034	64,686	
	1880	116	2,081	1,499	31,433	44,109	1,409,607	313	*	6,111	16,177	12,021	23,440	739	85,455	10,815	34,214	179,152	3,162,752	6,935,967	66,248	
	1881	88	1,121	256	3,207	46,480	1,313,655	272	*	5,086	11,984	16,926	19,640	890	72,121	11,634	41,735	194,217	3,618,513	8,292,883	56,438	
	1882	225	3,730	504	8,982	53,323	1,422,648	300	*	5,133	14,861	22,001	36,690	1,092	88,476	10,561	55,053	229,124	4,089,715	12,043,893	50,097	
	1883	125	1,112	241	3,190	56,463	1,619,140	...	...	5,424	15,855	25,307	35,483	492	95,358	18,352	76,007	253,116	4,246,141	11,507,475	51,009
	1884	143	2,170	686	16,964	61,064	1,312,939	...	...	5,424	15,855	25,307	35,483	492	95,358	18,352	76,007	253,116	4,266,172	9,308,911	51,796
	1885	208	1,006	406	9,826	71,741	1,574,294	...	...	6,735	18,989	28,881	30,660	1,483	133,298	13,629	75,954	260,207	4,162,652	8,994,322	55,843
	1886	138	1,438	768	18,483	75,566	1,709,673	887	24,876	7,202	26,967	39,280	75,371	1,517	147,410	17,183	72,515	278,694	4,071,563	9,690,445	61,861	
	1887	550	13,343	1,165	31,493	73,139	1,631,890	515	18,856	8,717	30,679	25,734	51,896	1,658	118,672	10,056	75,955	305,865	4,473,716	12,926,158	73,663	
	1888	642	3,626	324	7,432	8,596	2,181,681	497	17,507	7,303	20,978	32,291	1,703	144,239	11,281	76,003	324,326	4,654,932	13,444,005	68,994		
	1889	750	14,561	1,254	26,630	97,698	1,743,051	249	4,121	7,185	25,889	45,617	88,172	1,763	164,626	10,120	73,978	352,364	4,872,416	14,470,095	80,730	
	1890	411	8,967	584	12,673	99,400	2,373,803	469	13,226	8,994	28,810	31,106	50,116	1,981	189,274	9,546	76,737	365,812	5,558,264	18,007,234	96,836	
	1891	715	16,660	739	21,302	101,598	3,977,915	995	33,895	9,173	25,018	30,655	58,842	1,988	168,526	10,760	82,075	399,364	6,192,759	20,289,633	122,672	
	1892	591	12,965	385	6,969	92,172	2,333,553	1,473	41,381	8,493	20,498	25,665	53,933	1,908	193,337	14,690	83,709	422,769	6,591,416	21,708,310	116,930	
	1893	666	12,095	495	8,396	93,556	1,824,108	1,285	41,522	8,306	17,165	22,505	42,353	2,000	101,528	13,336	80,993	429,734	6,693,200	18,697,015	68,086	
	1894	1,477	30,463	1,418	37,824	103,671	2,684,925	933	30,117	10,523	28,185	28,028	55,696	1,987	176,497	12,029	95,489	444,109	7,012,997	19,587,691	89,677	
	1895	922	10,887	721	7,756	100,481	2,391,378	918	23,414	9,240	19,027	28,609	50,965	2,021	238,208	19,552	109,724	468,743	6,822,401	19,856,959	100,747	
	1896	1,881	32,181	1,122	19,340	115,715	3,065,333	945	27,977	7,672	18,451	35,764	69,695	2,020	170,733	31,469	116,316	452,207	6,507,377	19,593,696	97,434	
	1897	1,834	31,496	2,077	49,840	109,721	2,803,172	915	21,319	8,197	18,520	48,220	94,339	2,167	207,945	35,546	133,350	479,280	6,089,013	17,797,883	110,855	
	1898	271	4,047	2,944	34,865	102,835	2,252,481	1,162	42,007	7,961	16,413	35,263	70,235	2,020	134,334	39,523	183,632	480,469	5,571,222	17,552,608	127,081	
	1899	714	10,712	7,474	118,443	110,489	1,965,598	517	11,666	10,766	22,675	58,939	103,409	2,003	131,045	54,718	176,702	479,127	5,053,836	15,226,479	139,118	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.	1873	2,011	21,337	11,827	126,398	...	...	3,813	13,014	142,167	145,389	5,217	733,478	27,469	247,785	87,455	174,381	5,617,419	87,336		
	1874	2,785	40,701	13,724	208,373	...	...	4,582	17,046	160,931	202,934	5,051	648,186	27,076	276,697	93,122	185,342	6,120,211	78,019		
	1875	3,640	60,749	13,969	197,315	4,854	78,050	5,941	26,833	161,429	194,794	4,972	727,979	37,261	313,700	107,164	219,440	6,179,395	100,562	
	1876	2,914	31,043	10,056	107,023	4,490	46,353	5,091	14,463	91,937	178,866	4,554	493,217	35,268	276,874	106,903	219,441	6,133,291	102,295	
	1877	3,515	42,039	11,991	143,586	3,832	46,278	5,367	13,452	223,905	253,374	4,164	339,277	36,265	375,430	110,684	230,679	6,098,359	104,527	
	1878	2,931	35,202	12,089	142,933	4,233	48,191	5,398	14,378	218,359	210,974	4,297	458,303	30,033	428,128	121,553	251,802	6,377,812	103,422	
	1879	4,117	61,818	15,107	202,166	3,963	58,547	7,320	27,832	265,463	296,437	4,117	459,468	33,996	478,879	130,052	266,217	6,140,396	90,548	
	1880	4,355	50,070	13,074	151,886	4,406	58,963	5,587	16,170	272,567	261,371	4,337	500,955	35,763	500,858	157,915	307,177	6,463,897	131,011	
	1881	3,023	32,219	11,953	137,165	4,616	57,627	6,136	18,154	333,467	240,827	4,202	313,060	28,891	452,834	159,678	314,918	6,810,856	120,718	
	1882	3,457	38,472	12,186	134,464	3,688	42,668	5,288	16,133	138,843	104,370	4,312	347,340	21,747	434,928	162,400	306,046	6,388,366	00,075	
	1883	5,491	80,467	13,475	188,806	3,590	52,816	6,063	25,557	366,934	388,719	4,280	358,606	33,172	475,404	164,360	319,620	6,077,067	108,714	
	1884	7,264	88,639	15,697	211,207	4,601	64,826	5,666	23,192	308,429	285,839	4,590	473,535	33,296	463,494	168,420	389,726	6,696,406	163,807	
	1885	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
	1886	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	170,000 ^b	440,000 ^b	7,254,000 ^b	179,000 ^b	
	1887	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	170,000 ^b	430,000 ^b	7,150,000 ^b	170,000 ^b	
	1888	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	170,000 ^b	430,000 ^b	7,150,000 ^b		

WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA.

Colony.	Year.	Population on the 31st December. ¹	Public Revenue. ²				Public Expenditure. ²	Public Debt at end of the year. ³	Shipping Inwards and Outwards.				Miles open at the end of each year.			AGRICULTURE.						
			Public Revenue. ²		Public Expenditure. ²				Imports.		Exports.		Vessels.		Railway. ⁴		Total Cultivation. ⁵		Wheat.			
			Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Immigrants by Sea.	Eми- grants by Sea.	Total.	Portion raised by Taxation.				Tons.	Telegraph line (poles)	Acres.	Acres.	Bushels.					
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.	1873	25,761	809	418	161	285	639	134,832	71,625	114,270	35,000	297,328	265,217	287	140,237	30	750	51,724	25,697	345,368		
	1874	26,209	876	487	181	660	601	148,073	82,275	143,266	119,000	364,263	428,837	297	132,827	38	763	45,292	23,427	281,124		
	1875	26,709	760	473	192	733	520	157,775	80,645	169,230	135,000	349,840	391,217	305	134,161	38	766	47,571	21,561	237,171		
	1876	27,321	918	383	191	409	650	162,189	85,177	179,484	135,000	386,037	397,293	330	154,126	38	1,159	45,933	18,769	225,168		
	1877	27,838	912	433	176	613	575	165,413	81,286	182,959	161,000	362,707	373,352	290	151,133	68	1,567	50,591	22,834	251,174		
	1878	28,166	871	394	182	322	471	163,344	75,849	198,243	184,556	379,050	428,491	316	102,753	68	1,569	51,065	23,008	229,342		
	1879	28,668	977	411	215	214	278	196,315	88,329	195,812	101,257	204,338	361,000	407,299	494,884	324	170,037	102	1,569	65,492	25,762	384,813
	1880	29,019	933	382	214	577	777	180,050	100,125	109,199	197,386	353,669	499,183	333	250,429	102	1,555	63,903	27,687	413,644		
	1881	30,013	1,005	412	197	757	690	254,313	511,000	404,831	502,770	368	285,046	122	1,585	53,353	21,951	153,657				
	1882	30,766	1,089	430	215	932	838	250,372	134,658	205,451	511,000	508,755	583,056	403	344,247	122	1,585	56,691	22,718	249,898		
TASMANIA.	1883	31,700	1,058	560	217	1,507	1,071	284,364	126,131	240,566	611,000	516,847	447,010	431	389,102	122	1,585	61,449	28,768	373,984		
	1884	32,958	1,004	707	230	2,434	1,563	290,319	127,338	291,307	765,000	521,167	405,693	442	428,886	143	1,885	79,669	29,416	382,400		
	1885	35,186	1,200	600	256	3,047	1,419	323,213	145,835	308,849	1,288,100	650,391	446,692	461	468,035	192	2,254	76,929	29,511	339,376		
	1886	39,584	1,466	806	297	5,615	1,877	388,564	184,999	394,675	1,286,000	758,013	630,393	542	497,508	219	2,385	86,248	24,943	288,516		
	1887	42,488	1,557	702	316	4,450	2,400	377,903	188,911	456,897	1,280,700	666,344	604,655	440	464,637	239	2,548	105,592	29,491	269,611		
	1888	42,137	1,518	673	304	1,598	2,794	357,003	179,944	385,129	1,275,200	786,250	680,344	529	812,393	272	2,961	106,015	30,739	322,739		
	1889	43,698	1,594	611	300	2,850	2,272	382,213	194,248	386,000	1,371,981	818,127	761,392	694	1,004,818	497	2,961	117,833	35,517	497,238		
	1890	49,200	1,561	540	278	3,567	1,996	414,314	204,405	401,751	1,367,444	874,447	671,813	548	904,861	524	2,921	122,032	33,820	465,025		
	1891	53,285	1,786	869	413	6,346	2,661	497,670	264,055	435,623	1,613,594	1,280,093	799,466	598	1,045,555	656	2,921	131,900	26,866	295,526		
	1892	58,674	1,848	931	412	7,440	2,968	543,889	304,760	550,616	2,261,864	1,391,109	882,148	676	1,124,565	651	3,288	161,466	35,061	429,497		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.	1893	65,064	2,112	945	392	8,928	3,705	570,651	293,336	640,801	2,873,998	1,494,438	918,147	581	1,071,418	827	3,578	124,520	42,672	520,198		
	1894	82,072	2,123	1,081	482	25,858	9,892	680,195	354,620	649,362	3,417,339	2,114,414	1,251,406	721	1,329,078	1,142	4,493	145,877	21,433	170,401		
	1895	101,235	2,373	1,604	633	29,523	11,129	1,125,941	549,243	936,400	3,990,112	3,774,951	1,332,554	918	1,578,553	1,145	4,577	153,112	23,241	188,076		
	1896	137,946	2,782	2,020	1,077	55,215	19,266	1,858,695	853,965	1,823,863	4,736,573	6,493,557	1,650,226	1,451	2,136,378	1,160	5,430	138,343	31,488	243,927		
	1897	161,924	4,021	2,643	1,659	49,387	26,787	2,842,751	1,185,002	2,839,453	7,310,815	6,418,565	3,940,098	1,428	2,377,832	1,361	5,958	176,397	38,705	408,595		
	1898	168,129	4,968	2,716	1,674	32,709	28,756	2,754,747	1,114,326	3,256,912	9,203,738	5,241,965	4,960,006	1,264	2,389,626	1,487	5,886	215,960	75,032	870,909		
	1899	171,032	5,174	2,324	1,671	20,278	20,225	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1900	181,000	5,374	2,401	1,700	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1901	191,000	5,574	2,474	1,771	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1902	201,000	5,774	2,547	1,822	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1903	211,000	5,974	2,620	1,873	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1904	221,000	6,174	2,693	1,924	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1905	231,000	6,374	2,766	1,975	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1906	241,000	6,574	2,839	2,017	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1907	251,000	6,774	2,912	2,058	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1908	261,000	6,974	2,985	2,109	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1909	271,000	7,174	3,058	2,160	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1910	281,000	7,374	3,131	2,211	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1911	291,000	7,574	3,204	2,272	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1912	301,000	7,774	3,277	2,333	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1913	311,000	7,974	3,350	2,404	2,036	1,671	2,478,811	932,967	2,539,358	11,674,040	4,473,532	6,985,642	1,353	2,638,648	1,850	5,941	237,744	84,462	966,601		
	1914																					

AGRICULTURE.

LIVE STOCK.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

TASMANIA.

Colony.	Year.	AGRICULTURE.												LIVE STOCK.							
		Oats.		Barley.		Maize.		Other Cereals.		Potatoes.		Hay.		Vines.		Green Forage, ⁵	Other Tillage, ⁶	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep	Pigs.
		Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Wine, Gallons.	Acres.	Acres.				
1873	1,474	28,330	5,083	87,529	113	2,110	1,475	18,243	473	1,263	15,941	31,882	775	*	...	693	26,290	47,640	748,536	20,948	
	1,067	17,072	4,702	75,232	88	1,320	1,022	10,220	329	987	13,366	20,049	779	*	...	512	26,636	46,748	777,861	13,290	
	1,256	18,840	5,014	70,196	60	1,200	1,293	8,880	393	1,179	17,319	675	*	...	29,379	50,416	881,861	14,420			
	1,461	21,915	6,245	93,675	70	1,470	1,378	8,041	370	1,110	16,856	16,856	784	*	...	33,502	54,058	899,494	18,108		
	1,290	18,060	5,948	77,324	46	920	799	8,789	354	708	18,013	18,013	713	*	...	594	30,691	52,057	797,156	18,942	
	1,568	28,249	5,927	72,498	40	296	817	8,919	341	850	18,750	18,750	614	*	...	32,801	56,158	869,325	16,762		
	1,734	32,946	7,238	130,284	35	490	890	11,888	362	1,269	19,085	23,856	718	*	...	9,668	32,411	60,617	1,109,860	20,397	
	1,320	25,080	6,364	114,552	32	448	864	11,556	471	1,649	19,563	24,454	660	*	...	6,942	34,568	63,719	1,231,717	24,232	
	827	8,270	3,679	36,790	36	432	640	5,120	278	556	24,445	18,334	527	*	...	970	31,755	63,009	1,267,912	22,530	
	1,025	15,375	4,766	66,724	25	*	585	5,265	267	667	25,959	25,959	607	*	...	739	31,325	65,473	1,259,797	16,898	
	1,395	23,715	5,547	88,768	28	812	530	5,830	310	930	20,295	20,295	725	*	...	3,851	32,884	64,558	1,315,155	18,512	
	1,452	26,140	5,616	92,660	74	1,250	786	11,000	500	1,500	24,054	24,050	687	81,750	208	16,876	37,111	71,102	1,547,061	20,039	
	1,596	23,142	6,178	89,581	156	1,950	675	...	434	1,085	19,677	19,677	624	59,488	191	17,887	34,392	70,408	1,702,719	24,280	
	1,766	28,512	5,185	82,816	171	3,933	628	*	356	1,071	25,718	25,718	649	98,350	1,075	26,657	38,360	88,254	1,809,071	24,655	
	1,689	25,424	5,935	69,710	164	1,762	1,270	25,000	474	1,130	25,807	24,157	672	124,240	856	39,234	41,100	93,544	1,909,940	23,627	
	1,787	41,852	5,009	73,630	61	1,769	720	14,000	481	1,974	23,914	23,914	894	135,888	268	42,142	41,390	93,822	2,112,393	25,083	
	2,075	41,500	5,475	93,075	80	1,200	649	12,980	462	1,386	25,694	25,694	1,088	205,632	329	46,464	42,806	119,571	2,366,681	27,079	
	1,934	37,693	5,322	87,813	81	1,023	501	10,020	510	1,655	23,183	26,495	1,023	194,881	161	55,497	44,384	130,970	2,524,913	28,985	
	1,301	18,214	3,738	48,594	23	483	400	8,000	531	1,595	28,534	28,534	1,004	166,664	238	69,265	40,812	133,690	1,962,212	25,930	
	1,694	29,645	3,666	56,823	33	775	454	9,080	529	1,586	35,124	43,904	1,218	160,776	214	83,473	44,973	162,886	1,685,500	24,417	
	2,571	47,597	3,603	48,330	37	573	568	11,360	630	2,309	29,589	33,039	1,043	77,484	359	42,848	45,747	173,747	2,220,642	26,233	
	1,634	20,246	1,948	14,675	54	756	532	10,640	703	2,545	49,896	38,455	1,864	75,814	254	67,559	50,001	187,214	2,132,311	28,396	
	1,880	19,326	1,932	18,691	23	596	327	8,640	668	2,290	63,804	53,757	2,217	79,550	430	58,590	58,506	200,091	2,295,832	27,015	
	1,753	18,871	1,903	12,816	30	504	340	2,483	720	2,088	69,436	50,500	2,294	75,693	4,858	25,521	57,527	199,793	2,248,976	31,154	
	1,678	29,266	1,694	23,423	243	4,826	428	4,733	1,361	4,270	80,938	75,464	2,654	89,099	4,278	44,418	62,222	244,971	2,210,742	31,809	
	3,073	55,854	2,186	29,295	110	1,365	700	7,726	1,675	5,698	79,223	77,297	2,961	113,799	3,154	47,846	62,442	245,907	2,244,880	39,284	
	3,940	73,556	3,885	56,587	133	2,263	921	9,490	2,837	8,373	78,893	70,078	3,245	86,802	2,997	56,431	65,920	297,075	2,282,306	55,953	
1873	26,750	561,247	6,440	124,459	...	...	7,910	24,970	26,406	28,430	...	...	1,565	40,250	22,612	106,308	1,490,746	59,628		
	32,704	877,243	5,129	125,469	...	...	5,714	112,342	6,978	26,169	30,486	41,144	...	94,234	93,608	23,208	110,450	1,724,953	51,468	
	32,556	827,043	5,939	165,357	...	...	6,585	137,050	6,906	24,455	34,758	49,217	...	103,167	100,168	23,473	118,694	1,731,723	47,664	
	23,609	571,485	6,258	147,537	...	...	7,263	130,832	7,954	27,290	29,664	35,907	...	...	114,978	103,855	23,622	124,459	1,768,785	60,681
	21,883	488,350	4,283	86,840	...	...	5,854	90,104	8,336	27,106	29,440	33,331	...	...	120,376	111,950	22,195	126,882	1,818,125	55,652
	28,802	714,987	4,040	97,845	...	...	5,099	92,403	8,079	27,257	33,933	40,499	...	...	118,478	108,580	24,107	126,276	1,838,831	39,595
	37,216	1,064,966	6,491	181,178	...	...	6,313	141,063	9,743	30,956	35,535	54,008	...	...	118,690	107,201	24,593	129,317	1,835,970	38,610
	19,853	439,446	8,297	169,156	...	...	6,432	106,396	10,421	32,548	31,615	35,883	...	...	134,656	112,003	25,267	127,187	1,783,611	48,029
	27,535	783,129	4,597	102,475	...	...	5,906	113,862	9,670	33,565	34,790	44,957	...	...	137,081	102,438	27,805	130,526	1,847,479	49,660
	28,849	788,713	3,229	89,739	...	...	5,301	108,608	9,681	37,526	38,043	49,513	...	...	149,571	96,091	25,857	122,504	1,845,455	47,827
	23,160	634,354	3,205	81,962	...	...	6,103	115,238	9,601	34,509	41,414	53,421	...	...	153,382	115,827	26,840	130,525	1,831,069	55,774
	28,956	829,611	5,646	167,036	...	...	6,827	145,323	9,037	39,503	44,735	55,587	...	...	189,376	107,177	27,188	128,834	1,720,027	57,303
	29,247	784,325	6,833	176,466	...	...	7,774	171,000	11,073	53,521	41,693	51,872	...	...	185,434	105,457	28,610	138,642	1,648,627	67,395
	21,607	560,622	2,749	61,585	...	...	9,385	164,649	16,084	75,773	47,269	50,158	...	...	198,935	115,040	29,684	148,665	1,609,046	73,118
	21,169	385,195	3,766	52,240	...	...	7,546	96,159	16,394	42,526	44,562	50,901	...	...	185,899	137,602	29,528	147,092	1,547,242	52,408
	33,834	946,354	4,670	109,979	...	...	7,476	124,954	13,653	66,721	52,521	58,290	37	...	180,350	148,335	29,238	142,019	1,430,065	43,227
	40,169	1,148,935	4,446	105,574	...	...	8,955	165,742	17,015	72,275	50,913	73,859	30	800	192,919	125,752	29,778	150,004	1,551,429	58,632
	20,740	519,395	4,376	99,842	...	...	10,142	183,471	20,133	73,158	45,381	52,021	30	*	202,557	174,363	31,165	162,440	1,619,256	81,716
	28,360	876,573	2,650	71,686	...	...	10,220	240,656	16,393	63,000	45,445	67,164	29	*	209,697	156,552	31,312	167,7		

NEW ZEALAND.

Colony.	Year.	Population on the 31st December. ¹	Public Revenue. ²						Public Expenditure. ²	Public Debt at end of the year. ³	Shipping Inwards and Outwards.		Miles open at the end of each year.		AGRICULTURE.					
			Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Immigrants by Sea.	Emigrants by Sea.	Total.			Imports.	Exports.	Vessels.	Tons.	Rail-way. ⁴	Telegraph line (poles)	Total Cultivation. ⁵	Wheat.		
								£	£	£	£	£				Acres.	Acres.	Bushels.		
	1873	295,946	11,222	3,647	2,276	13,572	4,761	2,776,388	1,055,296	2,119,524	10,913,936	6,464,687	5,610,371	1,443	571,144	145	2,389	376,156	132,428	3,391,634
	1874	341,860	12,844	4,161	2,828	43,965	5,859	3,063,811	1,294,276	3,035,711	13,366,936	8,121,812	5,251,269	1,678	784,829	209	2,632	549,844	105,674	2,974,339
	1875	375,856	14,438	5,712	3,209	31,737	6,467	2,813,928	1,350,296	3,431,973	17,400,031	8,029,172	5,828,627	1,866	834,547	542	3,156	607,138	90,804	2,863,619
	1876	399,075	16,168	4,904	3,196	18,414	6,459	3,880,294	1,350,025	4,305,337	18,678,111	6,905,171	5,673,465	1,744	786,514	718	3,170	787,824	141,614	4,054,377
	1877	417,622	16,856	4,685	3,115	12,987	6,611	3,916,023	1,343,945	3,822,426	20,691,111	6,973,418	6,327,472	1,660	789,177	954	3,307	959,528	243,406	6,336,369
	1878	432,519	17,770	4,642	3,385	16,263	5,761	4,167,889	1,533,393	4,365,275	22,608,311	8,755,663	6,015,525	1,812	884,983	1,070	3,434	1,134,185	264,577	6,070,599
	1879	463,729	18,070	5,583	3,404	23,957	5,234	3,134,905	1,441,838	3,845,036	23,958,311	8,374,585	5,743,126	1,802	949,692	1,171	3,605	1,237,501	270,198	7,010,012
	1880	484,864	19,341	5,437	3,181	15,154	7,923	3,283,396	1,535,700	4,019,850	28,583,231	6,162,011	6,352,692	1,516	819,716	1,258	3,706	1,029,764	324,933	8,147,705
	1881	500,910	18,732	5,491	3,281	9,688	8,072	3,757,493	1,881,024	3,675,797	29,659,111	7,457,045	6,060,866	1,527	833,621	1,287	3,824	1,319,460	365,715	8,297,890
	1882	517,707	19,009	5,701	3,602	10,945	7,456	3,917,160	1,999,000	3,824,735	30,235,711	8,609,270	6,658,008	1,564	899,836	1,465	3,974	1,389,747	390,818	10,270,591
	1883	540,877	19,202	6,061	3,612	19,215	9,186	3,871,267	2,080,084	3,924,005	31,385,411	7,974,038	7,095,999	1,656	1,002,491	1,480	4,074	1,412,300	377,706	9,827,136
	1884	557,110	19,846	5,740	3,800	20,021	10,700	3,707,488	1,869,496	4,101,318	32,866,982	7,663,888	7,091,667	1,724	1,063,430	1,570	4,264	1,348,235	270,043	6,866,777
	1885	575,226	19,693	6,081	3,813	16,199	11,695	3,859,996	1,995,012	4,282,901	35,790,422	7,479,921	6,819,939	1,566	1,032,700	1,654	4,463	1,265,975	173,891	4,242,285
	1886	589,386	19,299	6,135	3,4489	16,101	15,337	3,688,016	1,962,162	4,310,875	37,587,776	6,759,013	6,672,791	1,432	990,903	1,809	4,625	1,372,219	253,025	6,297,638
	1887	603,361	19,135	6,137	3,563	13,689	12,712	3,463,495	1,876,235	3,954,290	38,225,537	6,245,515	6,866,169	1,328	983,337	1,841	4,646	1,440,055	357,359	9,424,059
	1888	607,380	18,902	5,708	3,617	13,606	22,781	4,109,815	2,031,658	3,962,912	38,325,550	5,941,900	7,767,325	1,384	1,057,913	1,865	4,992	1,465,319	362,153	8,770,246
	1889	616,052	18,457	5,772	3,632	15,392	15,178	3,991,919	2,086,081	3,981,721	38,483,250	6,297,097	9,339,265	1,543	1,195,886	1,912	4,874	1,560,605	335,861	8,448,506
	1890	625,508	18,278	5,994	3,797	15,028	16,810	4,208,029	2,173,985	4,081,566	38,832,350	6,260,525	9,811,720	1,489	1,312,474	1,956	5,060	1,636,179	301,460	5,723,610
	1891	634,058	18,273	6,518	3,805	14,431	17,629	4,146,231	2,179,139	4,135,544	38,713,068	6,503,849	9,566,397	1,481	1,244,322	2,011	5,349	1,565,231	402,273	10,257,738
	1892	650,433	17,876	6,459	4,002	18,122	13,164	4,389,251	2,392,796	4,044,690	39,257,840	6,943,056	9,534,851	1,375	1,331,323	2,036	5,479	1,543,359	381,245	8,378,217
	1893	672,265	18,187	6,767	4,115	26,135	15,723	4,407,963	2,353,250	4,170,616	39,826,415	6,911,515	8,985,364	1,252	1,258,070	2,108	5,513	1,455,954	242,737	4,891,695
	1894	686,126	18,528	6,918	4,178	25,237	22,984	4,288,716	2,296,785	4,398,930	40,386,964	6,788,020	9,231,047	1,223	1,262,350	2,168	6,049	1,386,637	148,575	3,613,037
	1895	698,706	18,546	6,863	4,110	21,862	20,967	4,453,139	2,393,195	4,408,349	43,050,780 ³	6,400,129	8,550,224	1,208	1,321,897	2,190	6,245	1,547,568	245,441	6,843,768
	1896	714,162	18,612	6,432	4,843	17,236	15,764	4,453,139	2,393,195	4,408,349	43,050,780 ³	7,137,320	9,321,105	1,181	1,241,756	2,190	6,510	1,656,912	258,608	5,926,523
	1897	729,056	18,737	6,595	4,928	18,592	15,840	4,725,799	2,521,910	4,633,981	44,362,118 ³	8,055,223	10,016,993	1,187	1,362,232	2,185	6,726	1,684,443	315,801	5,670,017
	1898	743,463	18,955	7,244	5,091	18,855	16,159	4,987,630	2,678,576	4,842,772	44,963,424	8,230,600	10,517,955	1,242	1,531,048	2,222	7,485	2,015,186	399,034	13,073,416
	1899	756,505	18,835	7,680	5,461	18,506	16,619	5,258,228	2,707,099	5,283,511	47,873,732	8,739,633	11,938,335	1,213	1,619,049	2,251	7,417	1,811,053	269,749	8,581,898

For Notes, see page 15.

Colony.	Year.	AGRICULTURE.														LIVE STOCK.					
		Oats.		Barley.		Maize.		Other Cereals.		Potatoes.		Hay.		Vines.		Green Forage. ⁵	Other Tillage. ⁶	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep	Pigs.
		Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Bushels.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Tons.	Acres.	Wine, Gallons.	Acres.	Ares.				
NEW ZEALAND.	1873	110,472	3,292,807	22,124	606,492	1,253	18,795	5,000	75,000	11,617	51,758	43,616	62,187	...	...	25,515	24,131	*	*	*	*
	1874	157,545	5,548,729	16,236	477,162	...	...	...	...	12,154	63,685	62,216	52,202	...	...	196,019	99,859	494,917	11,704,853	123,921	
	1875	168,252	6,357,431	27,656	993,219	...	...	...	...	14,655	71,599	49,537	72,184	...	...	30,883	225,351	*	*	*	*
	1876	150,717	4,707,836	27,679	801,379	...	...	...	...	16,204	86,922	49,760	65,060	...	...	32,459	366,391	*	*	*	*
	1877	190,344	6,029,962	22,713	576,823	...	...	...	...	17,564	94,478	45,090	58,671	...	...	...	440,411	*	*	*	*
	1878	277,547	8,357,150	28,646	709,465	...	...	...	...	17,299	86,186	53,022	64,520	...	...	49,187	443,907	137,768	578,430	13,069,338	207,337
	1879	330,208	12,062,607	57,484	1,751,432	...	...	...	...	21,260	119,523	71,911	108,833	...	...	48,584	437,856	*	*	*	*
	1880	215,007	6,891,251	46,877	1,221,241	2,321	*	...	...	22,530	111,329	54,028	68,710	...	...	51,154	312,914	161,736	698,637	12,985,085	200,083
	1881	243,387	6,924,848	29,808	664,093	...	...	...	...	22,540	121,890	68,423	89,081	...	...	61,431	528,156	*	*	*	*
	1882	319,858	10,520,428	28,146	737,163	...	...	...	...	20,488	104,581	61,054	75,764	...	...	65,466	503,917	*	*	*	*
	1883	262,954	9,231,339	32,907	964,456	4,435	*	...	...	21,102	113,198	73,997	102,649	...	...	83,020	556,179	*	*	13,384,075	*
	1884	345,794	12,360,449	39,703	1,205,906	3,393	*	819	...	21,348	123,504	56,670	79,868	...	...	424,190	177,275	*	*	14,056,266	*
	1885	329,488	8,603,702	34,603	896,816	3,286	*	1,507	...	24,823	113,753	40,304	45,818	...	...	399,692	258,381	187,382	895,461	16,677,445	369,992
	1886	387,228	11,973,295	21,535	558,606	4,720	*	10,217	*	27,683	134,965	57,938	79,013	...	...	416,682	193,191	*	*	*	*
	1887	336,474	10,512,119	27,912	760,874	5,732	223,270	11,126	*	25,338	138,060	67,425	100,507	...	...	421,719	186,970	*	*	15,122,133	*
	1888	367,225	10,977,065	45,027	1,402,537	4,768	207,275	14,693	357,061	26,331	133,682	50,656	71,296	...	...	419,555	174,911	*	*	15,503,263	*
	1889	426,071	13,673,584	42,402	1,342,823	6,253	270,282	15,918	427,160	30,577	159,729	45,889	65,476	...	...	474,204	183,430	*	*	18,117,186	*
	1890	346,224	9,947,036	32,740	758,833	5,759	238,864	17,146	330,092	32,691	178,121	44,045	62,901	...	...	607,695	248,419	211,040	831,831	18,128,186	308,812
	1891	323,508	11,009,020	24,268	688,683	5,447	238,746	14,282	337,181	27,266	162,046	46,652	67,361	...	...	542,517	179,018	*	*	18,570,752	*
	1892	326,531	9,873,989	24,906	654,231	4,491	171,661	15,918	382,517	18,338	104,173	61,811	93,293	...	...	513,636	196,483	*	851,351	19,380,369	*
	1893	376,646	12,153,068	28,857	724,653	5,116	244,539	16,494	444,126	21,121	126,540	60,740	86,198	...	...	517,747	186,496	*	885,305	20,230,829	*
	1894	351,852	10,221,393	36,519	1,000,612	5,525	232,890	17,708	451,350	25,339	139,869	194,765	78,489	...	...	417,378	188,976	*	964,034	19,826,604	*
	1895	364,788	12,263,540	35,358	1,035,762	13,834	611,200	15,429	446,040	31,997	207,011	257,301	140,934	...	...	467,252	116,168	237,418	1,947,901	19,138,493	239,778
	1896	372,597	11,232,803	29,813	821,506	12,534	503,652	17,352	359,444	29,990	157,529	297,813	161,000	361	...	493,744	144,100	249,732	1,138,572	19,087,954	209,853
	1897	354,819	9,738,391	29,920	709,874	14,837	541,550	11,661	188,908	36,402	121,947	268,896	403,344	264	...	438,864	212,979	252,834	1,209,165	19,673,725	186,027
	1898	417,320	16,511,388	45,671	1,677,908	18,539	813,379	11,904	340,993	38,604	298,561	75,620	151,240 ^s	357	...	431,917	576,220	258,115	1,203,024	19,348,506	193,512
	1899	398,243	16,325,832	48,003	1,585,145	17,429	669,896	12,261	408,792	36,984	222,124	68,234	136,468 ^s	445	...	608,914	350,791	261,931	1,210,439	19,347,346	249,751

* Where asterisks occur the information has not been furnished.

† The figures of sheep for New Zealand for the last nine years relate to the 30th April of the year following.

For latest information respecting the population of several of the colonies, see last column of Table I. *post.*

The Revenue and Expenditure of Victoria in all the years specified, of Queensland for the years 1876 to 1882, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, of South Australia for 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, of Western Australia for 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, and of New South Wales for 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, are for the twelve months ended 30th June, and those of New Zealand for 1894, for the year ended 31st March, 1895, for 1895 and 1896, for the year ended 31st March, 1896, for 1897, for 1898, for the year ended 31st March, 1899, and for 1899, for the year ended 31st March, 1899. In other instances, the information relates to the years ended 31st December.

On 31st December prior to 1896; but for 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899 the figures of debt for New Zealand relate to 31st March, and for other colonies to 30th June. For information respecting the Accrued Sinking Fund of New Zealand and the other colonies, see Table XII. *post.*

Including private lines. The figures relating to the Railways of Victoria for the last fifteen years, those of New South Wales for the last eleven years, those for Queensland and South Australia for the last ten years, and those for Western Australia for the last seven years, relate to the year ended 30th June; those for New Zealand Railways for the years 1886 to 1895 are, in each case, for the twelve months ended 31st March of the year following, for the years 1895 and 1896 for the year ended 31st March of 1896, for 1897 for 1896, for 1898 for 1897, for 1899 for 1898; and for 1899 for the year ended 31st March, 1899; in the case of Tasmania the figures relate to the calendar year. The figures for Western Australia relate to Government lines only until 1886, since which year private lines also are included.

Prior to 1896 land under permanent artificial grass is not included in Queensland, Western Australia, and New Zealand, but in 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899 land under permanent artificial grass is excluded only in New Zealand. See Note to Table XXXVI. *post.*

Including land in fallow in all the colonies, except New South Wales for all the years but 1890. See Table XXXVI. *post.*

Prior to 1883, the Queensland shipping returns were unduly swelled by vessels being counted afresh at each port of call.

Estimated, the statistics not having been collected.

JAMES J. FENTON, Assistant Government Statist of Victoria.

AUSTRALASIAN STATISTICS, 1899.

TABLE I.—AREA AND ESTIMATED POPULATION, 1899 AND 1900.

Name of Colony.	Area in Square Miles.*	On the 31st December, 1899.						Mean Population, 1899.	Population on 30th June, 1900.		
		Population.†			Number of—						
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Females to 100 Males.	Persons to the Square Mile.					
Victoria	87,884	580,600	582,800	1,163,400	100·38	13·24	1,160,700	1,176,854			
New South Wales	309,175	729,005	627,645	1,356,650	86·10	4·39	1,345,245	1,361,120			
Queensland	668,224	270,570	211,830	482,400	78·29	7·2	475,400	482,400†			
South Australia Proper	379,805	190,043	175,712	365,755	92·46	9·6	363,026	364,527			
Do., Northern Territory ..	523,620	4,516	429	4,945	9·50	·01	4,935	4,945†			
Western Australia	975,920	112,290	58,742	171,032	52·31	·18	168,879	178,192			
Total	2,944,628	1,887,024	1,657,158	3,544,182	87·82	1·20	3,518,185	3,568,038			
Tasmania	26,375	98,800	83,500	182,300	84·51	6·91	179,720	182,378			
New Zealand	104,471	398,679	357,826	756,505	89·75	7·24	749,984	760,437			
Grand Total	3,075,474	2,384,503	2,098,484	4,482,987	88·00	1·46	4,447,889	4,510,853			

* The areas here given, except in the case of New Zealand, are the results of planimetric calculations made in the office of the Surveyor-General, Melbourne, and the results agree closely with the figures furnished officially by the various colonies. The official figures for four of the colonies which differ from those given above, are as follow:—New South Wales, 310,700; Queensland, 668,497; South Australia (proper), 380,070; Tasmania, 26,215 square miles. —† The figures for all the colonies except Western Australia and New Zealand are according to estimates framed and adopted at a conference of Statisticians held in Sydney in February, 1900, together with an addition for Aborigines in the case of Victoria and New South Wales of 500 and 8,250 respectively. In Queensland, in 1899, there were 8,826 Polynesians, 10,076 Chinese, 3,063 Japanese, 298 Javanese, and 2,357 other Asiatics which are included in the population. —‡ Assumed to be the same as on 31st December, no later estimate having been furnished.

TABLE II.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages*	Per 1,000 of Mean Population.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages*
Victoria	15,785	15,223	31,008	9,286	7,292	16,578	8,140	26·71	14·28	7·01
New South Wales	18,613	17,848	36,461	9,131	6,770	15,901	9,275	27·10	11·82	6·89
Queensland	7,128	6,771	13,899	3,943	2,201	6,144	3,449	29·24	12·92	7·25
South Australia Proper	4,841	4,556	9,397	2,362	2,044	4,406	2,265	25·89	12·14	6·24
Do., Northern Territory	11	14	25	62	10	72	11	5·07	14·59	2·23
Western Australia	2,636	2,538	5,174	1,513	811	2,324	1,671	30·64	13·76	9·89
Total	49,014	46,950	95,964	26,297	19,128	45,425	24,811	27·28	12·91	7·05
Tasmania	2,415	2,259	4,674	1,192	1,012	2,204	1,147	26·01	12·26	6·38
New Zealand	9,724	9,111	18,835	4,464	3,216	7,680	5,461	25·11	10·24	7·28
Grand Total	61,153	58,320	119,473	31,953	23,356	55,309	31,419	26·86	12·43	7·06

Name of Colony.	Excess of Births over Deaths.		Males to 100 Females.		Illegitimate Births.		Signing Marriage Register with Marks.		
	Number.	Per cent.	Born.	Died.	Number.	Percentage of Total Births.	Number.		Percentage of Persons Married (Both Sexes).
							Men.	Women.	
Victoria	14,430	87·0	103·7	127·3	1,701	5·49	69	55	·76
New South Wales	20,560	129·3	104·3	134·9	2,609	7·16	150	113	1·42
Queensland	7,755	126·2	105·3	179·1	830	5·97	57	74	1·90
South Australia Proper	4,991	113·3	106·2	115·6	371	3·95	41	39	1·77
Do., Northern Territory	—47 †	—188·0 †	78·6	620·0	2	8·00	..	..	..
Western Australia	2,850	122·6	103·8	186·6	254	4·91	15	22	1·11
Total	50,539	111·3	104·4	137·5	5,767	6·01	332	303	1·28
Tasmania	2,470	112·1	106·9	117·8	284	6·08	39	40	3·44
New Zealand	11,155	145·2	106·7	138·8	829	4·40	24	35	·54
Grand Total	64,164	116·0	104·8	136·8	6,880	5·76	395	378	1·23

* The numbers in these two columns doubled give the total number of persons married and the number married in proportion to every thousand of the mean population. —† Excess of deaths over births.

TABLE III.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS OF CAPITAL CITIES, 1899.

Capital City.	Area in Square Miles.	Population, 1899.		Number of—			Per 1,000 of Mean Population.		Illegitimate Births.		Signing Marriage Register with Marks.		
		At end of Year.	Mean.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Number.	Percentage of Total Births.	Number.	Percentage of Persons Married.
Melbourne (Victoria) ..	254·16	477,790	475,380	12,435	7,317	4,231	26·16	15·39	8·90	1,055	8·48	71	·84
Sydney (New South Wales) ..	142·50	438,300	432,625	12,239	5,511	4,021	28·29	12·74	9·29	1,305	10·66	76	·95
Brisbane (Queensland) ..	314·16* {	121,262	119,728	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Adelaide (South Australia) ..	262·00	149,672	148,644	4,165	2,260	1,255	28·02	15·20	8·44	8	7·51	8	..
Perth (Western Australia) ..	25·00	34,610	33,000	1,266	607	482	35·17	16·86	13·39	94	7·42	2	·21
Hobart (Tasmania) ..	9·65	41,585	41,040	842	576	274	20·52	14·03	6·67	85	10·10	28	5·11
Wellington (New Zealand) ..	20·93	47,862	47,535	1,187	516	496	24·97	10·86	10·43	8	..	8	..

* Within 10-mile radius. —† Within 5-mile radius. —‡ Approximate. —§ Figures not furnished.

TABLE IV.—AGES AT DEATH, 1899.

Ages.	In the whole Colony.															
	Victoria.		New South Wales.		Queensland.		South Australia Proper.		Western Australia.		Tasmania.		New Zealand.		Total Australasia.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Under 1 year	1,938	1,603	2,341	1,988	826	695	596	453	391	333	300	243	1,016	790	7,408	6,105
1 to 5 years	613	557	692	741	305	299	176	184	110	95	86	89	277	255	2,259	2,220
5 to 10 years	181	209	186	188	92	86	63	48	14	14	25	29	118	85	679	659
10 to 15 years	137	137	152	129	57	65	44	54	16	8	18	18	72	86	496	497
15 to 25 years	437	479	434	415	425	115	136	156	92	66	73	68	276	234	1,873	1,533
25 to 35 years	582	671	602	556	531	209	157	179	232	98	67	73	267	285	2,438	2,071
35 to 45 years	738	636	802	549	446	158	194	169	185	65	91	86	291	238	2,747	1,901
45 to 55 years	623	486	816	460	366	139	177	134	163	28	74	55	394	253	2,613	1,555
55 to 65 years	1,072	731	1,056	521	405	183	235	165	125	31	70	69	621	325	3,584	2,025
65 to 75 years	1,694	954	1,126	568	307	130	304	218	112	39	146	136	711	319	4,400	2,364
75 to 85 years	1,012	640	695	478	142	92	225	215	61	27	172	107	421	346	3,363	2,413
85 years and upwards	250	187	223	177	32	29	53	69	7	7	70	39	4,464	3,216	31,891	23,346
Unspecified	9	2	6	...	9	1	2	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	31	3
Total	9,286	7,292	9,131	6,770	3,943	2,201	2,362*	2,044*	1,513	811	1,192	1,012	4,464	3,216	31,891	23,346
Infantile death rate	11.42		11.87		10.94		11.16		13.99		11.62		9.59		11.31	

Ages.	In the Capital City, including Suburbs.															
	Melbourne.		Sydney.		Brisbane.		Adelaide.		Perth.		Hobart.		Wellington.			
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Under 1 year	878	674	786	687	139	119	275	216	98	85	79	51	80	60		
1 to 5 years	273	240	199	208	40	45	68	85	25	30	22	19	13	18		
5 to 10 years	81	96	60	57	9	17	29	24					7	5		
10 to 15 years	46	57	45*	34	9	15	23	26					5	6		
15 to 25 years	177	226	146	150	34	24	58	91					17	20		
25 to 35 years	276	340	239	239	45	42	78	97			88	100	29	17		
35 to 45 years	398	355	296	241	70	45	114	94	247	122			26	21		
45 to 55 years	318	303	338	225	53	33	103	85					34	10		
55 to 65 years	453	351	335	246	49	42	125	93					32	16		
65 to 75 years	605	423	331	226	41	24	153	123					36	21		
75 to 85 years	353	251	155	183	20	23	111	125			113	104	19	14		
85 years and upwards	68	75	30	55	1	...	25	39					6	4		
Unspecified	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	3,926	3,391	2,960	2,551	1510	1429	1,162	1,098	370	237	302	274	304	212		
Infantile death rate	12.48		12.04		7.94		11.79		14.45		15.44		11.79			

* Exclusive of 62 males and 10 females in Northern Territory.

† City of Brisbane.

TABLE V.—METEOROLOGY IN CAPITAL CITIES, 1899.

Capital City.	Geographical Position.			Mean Barometric Pressure.	Temperature in Shade.			Rainfall.		
	Latitude S.		Longitude E.		Maximum.	Minimum.	Mean.	Number of Days.	Amount.	
	°	'	"		Inches.	°	°			
Melbourne (Victoria) ..	37	49	53	144 58 32	29.95	104.2	30.6	57.1	116	Inches. 28.87
Sydney (New South Wales) ..	33	51	41	151 12 23	30.09	102.1	38.8	63.2	172	55.77
Brisbane (Queensland) ..	27	28	0	153 1 36	30.06	100.1	37.5	67.9	137	37.35
Adelaide (South Australia) ..	34	55	34	138 35 4	30.08	113.6	35.6	62.0	119	18.84
Perth (Western Australia) ..	31	57	24	115 52 42	30.05	102.8	38.1	63.9	107	32.40
Hobart (Tasmania) ..	42	53	25	147 19 57	29.96	104.4	31.5	54.5	167	19.61
Wellington (New Zealand) ..	41	16	25	174 46 38	29.96	76.3	31.0	54.7	181	52.71

TABLE VI.—IMMIGRATION AND EMIGRATION, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Number by Sea as recorded.						Further allowances for—					
	Gross Arrivals.			Net Immigration,*			Unrecorded Departures by Sea.			Net overland Migration by Rail. Immigration (+). Emigration (-).†		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Victoria ..	55,799	29,585	85,384	-81	-1,482	-1,563	5,588	1,864	7,452	.. 1	.. 1	.. 1
New South Wales ..	49,960	27,074	77,034	7,197	4,620	11,817	2,840	1,563	4,403	-2,654	-2,510	-5,164
Queensland ..	19,463	7,754	27,217	4,461	1,485	5,946	..	..	..	+196	+184	+380
South Australia Proper ..	22,092	11,542	33,634	2,007	631	2,638	479	567	1,046	+670	-671	-1
Do., Northern Territory ..	391	70	461	73	16	89	..	..	..	Nil	Nil	Nil
Western Australia ..	13,142	7,136	20,278	-887	940	53	..	..	..	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total ..	160,847	83,761	244,608	12,770	6,210	18,980	8,907	3,994	12,901	-1,788	-2,997	-4,785
Tasmania ..	16,581	8,378	24,959	2,960	1,194	4,154	937	519	1,456	Nil	Nil	Nil
New Zealand ..	11,862	6,644	18,506	1,295	592	1,887	..	..	..	Nil	Nil	Nil
Grand Total ..	189,290	98,783	288,073	17,025 ²	7,996 ²	25,021 ²	9,844	4,513	14,357	-1,788	-2,997	-4,785

NOTE.—The numbers of assisted and free immigrants were as follow:—New South Wales, 4 males, 5 females, total 9; Western Australia, 21 males, 28 females, total 49; total Australasia, 25 males, 33 females, total 58.

* After deducting departures by sea. The minus sign (-) indicates a net emigration. The figures in these columns generally overstate the truth, as many persons leave all the colonies by sea without their departure being noted. An estimated allowance to provide for this has been made in four colonies as shown in the next three columns.

† It will be seen that three out of the four colonies, between which there is a considerable overland traffic, take note of the movements by rail; but as the traffic by road is not accounted for, the figures as a guide to overland movements must be regarded as inconclusive. Even these returns, moreover, do not balance. Thus, in 1899, there was a net overland emigration by rail from New South Wales and South Australia of 5,165, but a net immigration into Victoria and Queensland of 4,845, thus showing a discrepancy of 32c.

¹ In Victoria, the net immigration by rail in 1899 was 4,465, but this was not taken into account in estimating the population.

² Net figures. In the United Kingdom in 1899, according to Imperial returns, the number of departures for the Australasian colonies was 12,268, and the number of arrivals therefrom was 7,777. The excess in favour of departures was thus 4,491, or about one-sixth of the excess of immigrants over emigrants shown in the table; or less than one-half, if allowance be made for increased departures by sea, as shown in the next three columns.

TABLE VII.—BALANCES OF CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AT THE END OF 1898-9.

Colony.	Surplus.	Accumulated Deficiency.			
		Covered by—		Total.	
		Treasury Bills.	Cash Overdraft.		
Victoria	250,000	1,912,117
New South Wales	2,177,584	-116,523*
Queensland	149,916	..	..	..
South Australia	3,965	..	..	..
Western Australia	247,350	247,350
	Total ..	153,881	2,427,584	2,042,944	4,470,528
Tasmania	838,355†	..	838,355
New Zealand	495,861	..	..	..
Grand Total	649,742	3,265,939	2,042,944	5,308,883‡

NOTE.—In South Australia, the large deficiency which formerly existed was wiped out by the flotation of funded debt.

* Cash in hand.

† Local stock of short currency.

‡ The net deficiency for Australasia is £4,659,141.

TABLE VIII.—PUBLIC REVENUE, 1898-9.*

Name of Colony.	Taxation.								Crown Lands Revenue.			
	Customs Duties, &c.†	Excise Duties.	Land Tax.	Income Tax.‡	Stamps.			Business Licences and other Taxes.§	Sales (including progress payments).	Rents of Pastoral Lands.	Rents of Mineral Lands.	Other.
Victoria ...	£ 1,952,453	£ 315,721	£ 108,745	£ 182,154	£ 305,762	£ 17,735	£ 162,500 1	£ 40,735	£ 287,643	£ 65,586	£ 19,103	£ 36,320
New South Wales ...	£ 1,293,026	£ 315,090	£ 253,901	£ 171,272	£ 166,763	£ 24,828	£ 168,422	£ 121,186	£ 1,200,631	£ 626,576	£ 44,842	£ 73,498
Queensland ...	£ 1,371,156	£ 133,812	...	£ 60,487	...	...	£ 120,814	£ 64,141	£ 183,344	£ 334,615	£ 38,416	£ 18,731
South Australia Proper ...	£ 558,122	£ 37,415	£ 74,718	£ 88,142	£ 100,126	...	£ 27,840	£ 21,141	£ 34,930	£ 44,624	£ 2,399	£ 83,323
Do., Northern Territory ...	£ 33,691	...	£ 265	£ 613	...	...	£ 353	£ 496	£ 117	£ 8,220	£ 2,176	£ 248
Western Australia ...	£ 844,256	£ 23,264	...	...	£ 3,883	...	£ 34,982	£ 26,582	£ 39,464	£ 70,379	£ 34,239	£ 27,331
Total ...	£ 6,052,704	£ 825,302	£ 437,629	£ 502,668	£ 576,534	£ 42,563	£ 514,911	£ 274,281	£ 1,745,229	£ 1,150,000	£ 141,175	£ 239,451
Tasmania ...	£ 425,574	£ 22,546	£ 15,106	£ 23,473	£ 13,267	£ 2,626	£ 14,696	£ 30,240	£ 35,454	£ 5,718	£ 27,402	£ 2,629
New Zealand ...	£ 1,965,018	£ 76,213	£ 298,053	£ 115,480	£ 60,481	...	£ 191,854	...	£ 103,295	£ 157,927	...	£ 12,577
Grand Total ...	£ 8,443,296	£ 924,061	£ 750,788	£ 641,621	£ 650,282	£ 45,189	£ 721,461	£ 304,521	£ 1,883,978	£ 1,313,645	£ 168,577	£ 254,657

Name of Colony.	Reproductive Public Works.					Other Sources.					
	Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply.	Sewerage.	Post and Money Order Offices.||	Telegraphs and Telephones.||	Fines, Fees, and Forfeitures.¶	Interest.		Pilotage, Harbor, and Light Rates.**	Miscellaneous.††	
Victoria ...	£ 2,849,370	£ 35,349	£ ... 4	£ 412,175 1	£ 141,497	£ 89,412 1	£ 154,343	£ 22,159	...	£ 198,182	
New South Wales ...	£ 3,513,492 5	£ 217,977	£ 104,044	£ 541,621	£ 214,347	£ 113,263	£ 13,659	£ 16,665	£ 51,569	£ 326,240	
Queensland ...	£ 1,322,606	...	...	£ 192,330	£ 91,849	£ 32,602	£ 86,598	£ 63,543	£ 22,347	£ 36,695
South Australia Proper ...	£ 1,055,093	£ 92,755	...	£ 134,127	£ 120,044	£ 40,311	£ 4,536	£ 29,002	£ 25,142	£ 92,587	
Do., Northern Territory ...	£ 14,549	£ 100	...	£ 704	...	£ 521	...	...	£ 1,936	£ 2,642
Western Australia ...	£ 1,020,937	£ 11,999	...	£ 102,866	£ 94,305	£ 19,071	...	£ 5,315	£ 15,321	£ 104,617	
Total ...	£ 9,776,047	£ 358,180	£ 104,044	£ 1,383,823	£ 662,042	£ 295,180	£ 259,136	£ 136,684	£ 115,415	£ 760,963	
Tasmania ...	£ 192,561	...	...	£ 69,798	£ 22,298	£ 24,070	£ 4,129	£ 5,274	...	£ 7,109
New Zealand ...	£ 1,465,507	£ 5,398	...	£ 300,476	£ 145,294	£ 92,233	£ 47,241	£ 36,569	£ 25,490	£ 159,122	
Grand Total ...	£ 11,434,115	£ 363,578	£ 104,044	£ 1,754,097	£ 829,634	£ 411,483	£ 310,506	£ 178,527	£ 140,905	£ 927,194	

* Year ended 30th June, 1899, except in the cases of Tasmania and New Zealand, the figures for the former being for the calendar year 1899, and those for the latter for the year ended 31st March, 1899.

† For details for calendar year see Table IX., post.

‡ Including dividend tax (the whole amount shown) in Queensland; Absentee tax, £2,626, in South Australia; and Companies tax, £2,254, in Tasmania.

§ Including publicans' licence-fees—£94,313 in New South Wales, £31,798 in Queensland, £21,952 in Western Australia, and £9,602 in Tasmania; in Victoria such fees, which amount to £101,344, are first paid into a special fund, and are subsequently, for the most part, handed over to the municipalities. Including also totalizator tax in Queensland, £6,862; and rural police rate in Tasmania, £15,895.

|| In New South Wales, Queensland (in the case of letters only), South Australia, and Western Australia, the values of official letters and telegrams are included as postal and telegraphic revenue, a practice not followed in Victoria, Tasmania, and New Zealand; hence the postal revenues of those colonies are higher than would otherwise be the case. For amounts so included see Table XXXI., post.

¶ The following items are included in account of Insolvency and Patents, &c.—*Insolvency*—Victoria, £2,186 (average about £5,000); New South Wales, £4,233; Queensland, £359; South Australia, £710; Western Australia, £3,169. *Patents, Copyrights, &c.*—Victoria, £4,034; New South Wales, £3,891; Queensland, £2,743; South Australia, £1,928; Western Australia, £1,885; Tasmania, £1,557; New Zealand, £2,988.

** See footnote †† on page 22, post.

†† Including *Rents* (exclusive of lands) as follow:—Victoria, £2,451; New South Wales, £78,232; South Australia, £2,290; Tasmania, £2,627; also *Mint receipts, &c.*—Victoria, £30,142 (including £3,198 subsidy returned); New South Wales, £14,732 including £857 subsidy returned); also *Public School fees*—New South Wales, £75,315; and South Australia, £1,587; also *Loans to Sugar Mills* repaid in Queensland, £2,104.

[For other footnotes see next page.]

TABLE VIII.—PUBLIC REVENUE, 1898-9—continued.

Name of Colony.	Summary of Revenue from—				TOTAL REVENUE.	Proportion derived from—				Per Head of Population.					
	Taxation.	Land.	Reproductive Works.	Other Sources.		Taxation.	Land.	Reproductive Works.	Other Sources.	Taxation.	Land.	Reproductive Works.	Other Sources.	Total Revenue.	
	£	£	£	£	£	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Victoria 3,085,805	4,086,652	3,438,391	464,096	7,396,944	41.72	5.52	46.49	6.27	2 12 6	0 6 11	2 18 6	0 7 11	6 5 10		
New South Wales 2,514,488	1,945,547	4,591,481	521,396	9,572,912	26.27	20.32	47.96	5.45	1 17 4	1 8 11	3 8 2	0 7 9	7 2 2		
Queensland 1,750,410	575,106	1,606,785	241,785	4,174,086	41.94	13.78	38.49	5.79	3 10 3	1 3 1	3 4 6	0 9 8	8 7 6		
South Australia Proper 907,504	164,376	1,402,019	191,578	2,665,477	34.05	6.17	52.59	7.19	2 10 0	0 9 1	3 17 3	0 10 7	7 6 11		
Do., Northern Territory 35,418	10,761	15,353	4,199	65,731	53.88	16.37	23.36	6.39	7 4 5	2 3 11	3 2 8	0 17 2	13 8 2		
Western Australia 932,967	171,413	1,230,107	144,324	2,478,811	37.64	6.92	49.62	5.82	5 11 0	1 0 5	7 6 4	0 17 2	14 14 11		
Total 9,226,592	3,275,855	12,284,136	1,567,378	26,353,961	35.01	12.43	46.61	5.95	2 11 11	0 18 5	3 9 1	0 8 10	7 8 3		
Tasmania 547,528	71,203	284,657	40,582	943,970	58.00	7.54	30.16	4.30	3 0 11	0 7 11	1 11 8	0 4 6	5 5 0		
New Zealand 2,707,099	273,799	1,916,675	360,655	5,258,228	51.48	5.21	36.45	6.86	3 12 10	0 7 4	2 11 6	0 9 9	7 1 5		
Grand Total 12,481,219	3,620,857	14,485,468	1,968,615	32,556,159	38.33	11.12	44.50	6.05	2 15 9	0 16 2	3 4 8	0 8 9	7 5 4		

NOTE.—Refunds of revenue, drawbacks, and such similar entries are excluded from the accounts of revenue and expenditure of Victoria, New South Wales (although some book entries are still included in that colony), and New Zealand, but are included in those of some of the other colonies. In comparing the revenue and expenditure under various heads in different colonies, the fact must not be overlooked that local or municipal government is more fully developed in some colonies (notably Victoria, Queensland, and New Zealand) than in others, and the revenue and expenditure in the former are lower in consequence. In Victoria and Queensland, almost the whole colony is under municipal government, and there are several boards and trusts besides; whereas in New South Wales, for example, only a very small proportion of the area has been locally administered. It is also to be noted that in Victoria the metropolitan tramways are in the hands of a public company, and the metropolitan water supply and sewerage and harbor works are under boards or trusts; whereas in New South Wales all of these are either directly or indirectly under Government.

¹ The proportion of the revenue of Victoria derived from "stamp duty," "post office," and fines, fees, &c., has been roughly estimated, there being no means of obtaining the exact figures.

² Included with "Other Stamp Duties."

³ Included under "South Australia Proper."

⁴ In Victoria the revenue from metropolitan

⁵ Including tramways (steam), £348,208; also £18,000 credited for free passes to Members of Parliament and distinguished visitors. No credit is taken in Victoria and some of the other colonies for the latter services.

ADDENDUM A.—PUBLIC REVENUE, 1899-1900.

Sources.				Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.		Western Australia.	New Zealand.
				£	£	£	Proper.	Northern Territory.		
Taxation—										
Customs, &c. ..	..	..	..	1,972,216	1,397,227	1,461,690	572,148	34,549	904,802	2,107,567
Excise ..	..	..	..	329,377	338,394	148,423	38,826	..	28,915	80,292
Other ..	..	..	..	683,069	881,693	374,600	253,828	3,011	121,920	703,267
Total	..	..	..	2,984,662	2,617,314	1,984,713	864,802	37,560	1,055,637	2,891,126
Land—										
Sales (including interest) ..	..			388,250 {	1,278,867	202,281	34,674	20	38,574	90,831
Occupation ..	..	..	..		829,566	416,462	108,821	13,601	132,508	171,398
Total	..	..	..	388,250	2,108,433	618,743	143,495	13,621	171,082	262,229
Railways and tramways ..	..	..	..	3,008,521	3,563,376	1,422,852	1,169,508	14,870	1,258,945	1,621,613
Posts and telegraphs ..	..	..	..	584,596	737,948	206,093	271,011	1,070	208,109	488,246
Miscellaneous ..	..	..	..	494,820	946,665	355,866	332,042	5,350	181,623	436,404
Total	..	..	..	4,087,937	5,247,989	1,984,751	1,772,561	21,290	1,648,677	2,546,263
Total Revenue	..	..	..	7,460,849	9,973,736	4,588,207	2,780,858	72,471	2,875,396	5,699,618

TABLE IX.—CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1899.*

Name of Colony.	Customs Duties.	Alcoholic Liquors and Materials Therefor.					Narcotics.		Foods and Non-Alcoholic Beverages.							
		Spirits.†	Wine.	Beer.	Hops.	Malt.	Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff.	Opium.	Sugar and Molasses.	Fruits, Vegetables, &c. (Fresh and Preserved).‡	Tea.	Grain and Pulse, Flour, &c. (other than Rice).	Rice.	Fish (Fresh and Preserved).	Salt.	Coffee, Chicory, Cocoa, and Chocolate.
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria	423,049	16,182	31,952	11,965	82	236,595	8,546	323,011	79,817	122,362	2,937	18,304	30,557	8,223	6,421	
New South Wales	697,651	22,909	53,341	... ...	278,589	17,327	131,101	71,171	52,377	...	...	...	...	...	...
Queensland	320,176	4,275	35,316	11,582	27,953	186,788	24,512	1,392	68,007	87,262	47,656	37,419	14,356	...	6,867	
South Australia Proper ...	90,278	3,126	9,906	5,623	2,617	69,557	361	48,721	29,806	40,724	1,286	2,535	8,933	438	8,139	
Do., Northern Territory	8,113	127	694	7	... ...	3,318	7,262	572	536	818	90	6,685	160	48	27
Western Australia	204,455	18,276	38,145	4,526	17,708	127,729	2,897	93a	40,547	...	42,088	...	5,865	1,570	488	
Total	1,743,722	64,895	169,354	33,703	48,360	902,576	60,905	504,890	289,884	303,543	94,057	64,943	59,871	10,279	21,942	
Tasmania	63,939	6,325	5,187	751	23	61,729	764	47,247	10,291	13,470	433	4,635	8	2,202	3,271	
New Zealand	412,307	32,045	17,594	3,398	344	340,867	6,139	162,787	60,106	79,975	1,637	16,810	11,178	6,319	6,968	
Grand Total	2,219,968	103,265	192,135	37,852	48,727	1,305,172	67,808	714,924	360,281	396,988	96,127	86,388	71,057	18,800	32,181	

Name of Colony.	Customs Duties.	Textile Fabrics and Dress.										Miscellaneous.							
		Woollen and Worsted Manufactures, &c. §	Cotton and Linen Manufactures.	Silk Manufactures.	Bags and Sacks.	Hosiery.	Apparel and Slops.	Hats, Caps, and Bonnets.	Gloves.	Boots and Shoes.	Drapery and Haberdashery.||	All Other.	Total.	Live Stock.	Kerosene Oil.	Machinery, Tools, and Implements.¶	Medicines and Drugs.	Timber.	Oil (other than Kerosene).
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		
Victoria	87,839	127	43,125	93	22,165	52,816	17,356	14,589	11,769	...	27,117	276,996	90,291	...	29,604	13,801	29,289	10,857	
New South Wales ... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Queensland	32,300	18,796	4,548	635	14,147	30,537	12,361	4,908	10,385	26,611	500	155,728	...	46,128	9,984	12,916	5,210	14,751	
South Australia Proper ...	24,993	...	...	...	...	54,13	27,558	5,711	...	8,000	28,230	430	100,335	23,227	18,010	13,743	8,924	11,701
Do., Northern Territory	83	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	288	...	203	1,319	14	1,907	...	218	31	38
Western Australia	1,406 c	...	...	...	...	...	46,371	1,107	...	10,962	15,041	829	75,716	12,765	...	24,620	6,768	5,082
Total	146,621	18,923	47,673	728	41,725	157,570	36,535	19,497	41,319	71,201	28,890	610,682	126,283	64,356	77,982	42,538	51,320	33,488	
Tasmania	1,323 d	...b	...b	91	...b	...b	...	...	8,335	75,779	...	85,528	4,985	7,640	6,303	4,891	3,806	3,485
New Zealand	64,828	37,285	22,175	42	17,734	96,636	16,646	...b	32,692	66,004	18,990e	373,032	434	41,914	25,228	31,829	4,847	15,038	
Grand Total	212,772	56,208	69,848	861	59,459	254,206	53,181	19,497	82,346	212,984	47,880	1,069,242	131,702	113,910	109,513	79,258	59,973	52,011	

[For footnotes see page 24.]

TABLE IX.—CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1899*—continued.

Name of Colony.	Customs Duties.	Miscellaneous—continued.						All other Articles. **	Total Customs Duty (Gross).				
		Candles.	Soap.	Furniture and Upholstery.	Cement.	Matches and Vestas.	Bottles.						
Victoria	£ 1,210	£ 4,672	£ 9,232	£ 6,709	£ 3,364	£ 13,846	£ 241,833	£ 2,051,707					
New South Wales	2,200	...	...	...	...	...	25,290	£ 1,351,956					
Queensland	1,391	619	10,063	8,884	5,276	...	300,327 f	£ 1,444,838					
South Australia Proper	2,135	1,397	5,666	1,189	1,430	...	119,831	£ 636,535					
Do., Northern Territory ...	11	1	32	41	48	...	1,321	32,677					
Western Australia	1,340	4,400	3,189	4,087	1,099	556	190,490	£ 835,939					
Total	8,287	11,089	28,182	20,910	11,217	14,402	879,092	£ 6,352,752					
Tasmania	1,475	1,286	3,277	1,261	660	2	86,306	£ 431,180					
New Zealand	14,622	5,938	9,100	7,723	4,723	...	371,576 f	£ 2,064,478					
Grand Total	24,384	18,313	40,559	29,894	16,600	14,404	1,336,974	£ 8,848,410					
Name of Colony.	Customs Duties.	Gross Excise Duty.			Drawbacks, Rebates, and Refunds.††		Revenue proper (i.e., less Drawbacks, Refunds, &c.).			Net Revenue per Head of Population.			
		Spirits.	Beer.	Tobacco.	Customs.	Excise.	Customs Duties.	Excise Duties.	Miscellaneous. h	Total.	Customs Duties.	Excise Duties.	Total (including Miscellaneous).
Victoria	£ 89,465	£ 169,913	£ 61,776	£ 147,602	£ 37	£ 1,904,105	£ 321,117	£ 20,553	£ 2,245,775	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales	4,972	1,527,732	167,632	16,761	1,411	1,335,195	323,925	10,252	1,669,372	1 12 10	0 5 6	1 18 8	1 4 9
Queensland	40,607	62,241	31,628	10,296	3	1,434,542	134,473	6,956	1,575,971	0 19 10	0 4 9	3 6 4	3 6 4
South Australia Proper	12,930	25,037	...	65,989	...	570,546	37,967	5,553	614,066	1 11 5	0 2 1	1 13 10	1 13 10
Do., Northern Territory ...	...	...	...	60	...	32,617	...	719	33,336	6 12 2	...	6 15 1	6 15 1
Western Australia ... ... ... ...	...	26,766	...	1,881	9	833,158	26,757	12,399	872,314	4 18 8	0 3 2	5 3 4	5 3 4
Total	147,974	436,689	261,036	242,589	1,460	6,110,163	844,239	56,432	7,010,834	1 14 9	0 4 10	1 19 10	1 19 10
Tasmania ... ... ... ...	...	22,549	...	6,690	3	424,490	22,546	1,098	448,134	2 7 3	0 2 6	2 9 10	2 9 10
New Zealand	2,036g	78,265	2,414	5,598	...	2,058,880	82,715	7,511	2,149,106	2 14 11	0 2 2	2 17 4	2 17 4
Grand Total	150,010	537,503	263,450	254,877	1,463	8,593,533	949,500	65,041	9,608,074	1 18 8	0 4 3	2 3 2	2 3 2

[For footnotes, see next page.]

NOTE.—The headings in this table are of a comprehensive nature, similar articles being, as far as possible, embraced under each in the various colonies. For rates of duty on the articles selected, see "Australasian Statistics, 1898-9," page 17, compiled in the office of the Government Statist of Victoria, Svo, Brafn, Melbourne.

* All the figures in this table relate to the calendar year.

† Including bitters and liqueurs, but excluding methylated and perfumed spirits, also essences, sarsaparilla, and tinctures—which have been placed under "All other Articles."

‡ Including jams, pickles, onions, and potatoes.

§ Including blankets, carpeting, flannels, rugs, woollen piece goods and manufactures, and yarn.

¶ The indefinite term of "Drapery, &c.," which figures so largely in the returns of all the other colonies, is not used in Victoria; the articles embraced thereunder being distributed under more specific heads. Hence this circumstance must be borne in mind when comparing the figures under this and the following heads:—Silks, Hosiery, Gloves, Apparel and Slops, Hats and Caps, and Cotton and Linen Manufactures.

** The principal items included under this head in the colonies named are as follow:—In *Victoria*—Bicycles (parts free) £5,624, paper £17,745, plated ware £12,431, musical instruments £16,865, soap £4,672, jewellery £8,213, woodenware £6,094, fancy goods £7,864, earthenware, chinaware, glass, and glassware £22,540, oil and other floor cloths £11,592, and oilmen's stores £4,163. In *New South Wales*—Tinctures £11,438, perfumed spirits £4,398, and confectionery £4,497. In *South Australia*—Manufactures of metal £8,080, bicycles £5,675, stationery £4,531, fancy goods £5,426, paper £4,1921, plate and plated ware £4,186, starch £3,267, oil and floor cloth £33,491, and preserved milk £2,065. In *Western Australia*—Hay and chaff £1,293, butter and cheese £44,483, bacon £20,321, hardware and ironmongery £3,816, meats (preserved and salted) £14,192, bicycles £5,421, milk preserved £9,012, and stationery, £1,529. In *Tasmania*—Hardware £10,706, coal and coke £7,074, butter £5,371, fancy goods, &c., £4,673, earthenware £3,160, books and stationery £3,002, and galvanized iron £2,687. In *New Zealand*—Hardware £43,323, iron and steel £31,404, bicycles £17,439, musical instruments £17,346, earthenware £8,840, and glassware £5,303.

†† In the case of *Victoria*, the item under this head is made up of drawbacks £99,330, and rebates and refunds (chiefly for sugar) £48,272, the principal articles affected being sugar (rebate £45,638 included) £48,837, dried fruits, &c., £4,417, tea £22,893, woollens, &c., £3,696, silks £55,051, hats, &c., £1,958, machinery and tools £3,702, fancy soap £2,344, all other articles £54,250. *New South Wales*—Tea £6,071, sugar £1,719, dried fruits £3,519, ale and beer £1,241, and jams and jellies £311. *Queensland*—Machinery, &c., £587, boots and shoes £648, drapery and haberdashery £614, and apparel and slops £1,015.

On glucose only.—b Included under "Drapery."—c Carpets and rugs only.—d Chiefly included under "All other Articles."—e Consisting of feathers valued at £9,082, umbrellas £3,324, and textile piece goods £6,584.—f Including export duty, viz:—In *Queensland*—£227 on cedar, and £45 (border tax) on wool; and in *New Zealand*—£16,878 on gold.—g Pharmacopœia tinctures, extracts, &c.

h Embracing the following items, except in regard to Western Australia and Tasmania, for which the particulars are not available:—

ITEMS OF MISCELLANEOUS CUSTOMS REVENUE.

Item.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.			New Zealand.
				Proper.	Northern Territory.		
Licences to manufacture Tobacco	£ 1,512	£ 1,213	£ ..	£ ..	£ ..	£ ..	£ ..
" Distillation, &c.	802	..	..	550	..	..	60
" Carriers and Carters .. ..	..	..	331	..	2	..	..
" Boats and Lighters .. ..	..	..	..	94	5	..	..
Licence-Fees for Bonded Warehouses ..	1,584	6,786	6,625	1,699	99	..	5,334
Rent—Queen's Warehouses—Bonded Store-keepers	2,830	..	..	..	56	..	..
Customs Agents	73	..	..	50	10	..	..
Officers' Services and Clerical Assistance ..	6,531	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fees	5,732	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fines and Forfeitures	716	..	..	1,085	108	339	..
Sundries	773	2,253	..	2,105	439	1,778	..
Total	20,553	10,252	6,956	5,553	719	7,511	..

ADDENDUM.—NET REVENUE FROM CUSTOMS AND EXCISE, 1900.

Colony.	Net Revenue.			Amount per Head, †	
	Customs.	Excise.	Total.	Customs.	Excise.
Victoria	£ 2,017,254	344,018	2,361,272	£ 14 3	5 10
New South Wales	£ 1,431,763	357,321	1,789,084	1 1 0	5 3
Queensland	£ 1,424,589	151,051	1,575,640	2 19 1	6 3
South Australia *	£ 570,774	40,185	610,959	1 10 11	2 2
Western Australia	£ 957,620	31,664	989,284	5 7 6	3 7
Tasmania	£ 464,601	24,724	489,325	2 11 0	2 9
Total	£ 6,856,601	948,963	7,815,564	£ 16 8	5 1

NOTE.—These figures are exclusive of miscellaneous collections, and are liable to future correction.

* Including Northern Territory.—† Based on estimated population on 30th June.

IXa.—RATES OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DUTY ON SPIRITS, BEER, AND TOBACCO, DECEMBER, 1899.

Article.	Victoria.		New South Wales.		Queensland.		South Australia.		Western Australia.		Tasmania.		New Zealand.	
	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.
Spirits per proof gallon	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Beer in wood per gallon	12 0	10 0*	14 0	14 0	14 0	12 0	15 0	9 4	16 0	..	15 0	..	16 0	..
" in bottle	0 10	0 3†	{ 0 6	0 3	{ 1/3	0 3	{ 1 2	0 2	1 3	{ 1 0	0 4	2 0	0 3	..
" Lager	1 3	0 2	{ 0 9	0 3	{ 1/6	0 3	{ 1 6	0 2	1 6	{ 1 6	0 4	2 0	0 3	..
Tobacco Manufactured per lb.	3 0	0 9	{ 3 0	1 3	{ 4 0	1 0	2 9	..	3 0	..	3 0	..	3 6	1 0
" Cigars	6 0	0 9	{ 6 0	2 6	{ 6 0	2 0	6 3	..	6 0	..	7 0	..	7 0	1 6
" Cigarettes	6 0	1 6	{ 6 0	2 6	{ 6 0	2 0	..	..	6 0	..	7 0	..	7 0	1 6†
" Unmanufactured	1 0	..	1 0	..	2 0	..	1 7 1/2	..	1 10 1/2	..	3 0	..	2 0	..
" Snuff	3 0	0 9	3 0	..	5 0	1 0	6 0	..	6 0	..	7 0	..	7 0	1 6

* Excluding grape brandy and pure malt whisky, which are only 8s.—† If manufactured from malt and hops, 2d.—‡ Approximately. The exact rate is "17s. 6d. per 1,000, if weight does not exceed 2 1/2 lbs.; and for all weight in excess of 2 1/2 lbs. per 1,000, 6d. per oz."—§ If made by machinery, 2s. 6d. per lb.

TABLE X.—GENERAL EXPENDITURE, 1898-9.*
(Exclusive of Loan Expenditure.)

Name of Colony.	General Adminis- tration.†	Defences (Naval and Military).	Police.	Crown Lands.			Public Instruc- tion, Science, &c.	Public Works and Services.				Interest on Savings Banks Deposits.	Public Debt. (Raised chiefly for Public Works.)		Customs and Excise.	Ports and Harbors. ††	Quarantine.	Miscel- laneous. ††	Total.	
				Administra- tion and Survey.	Agriculture and Grazing.‡	Mining.		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply, Irrigation, and Sewerage §	General Public Works.||	Posts and Telegraphs (Working Expenses).¶		Interest and Expenses.**	Redemp- tion of Loans.						
Victoria	£ 747,587	£ 197,585	£ 255,991	£ 67,186	£ 78,503	£ 59,021	£ 605,875	£ 316,377	£ 1,703,196	£ 18,203	£ 350,146	£ 514,500	£ 82,124	£ 1,879,148	£ ...	£ 66,290	£ 29,802	£ 2,500	£ 140,672	£ 7,114,706
New South Wales ...	697,526	247,079	355,986	281,890	89,388	69,330	750,119	371,054	1,953,324	90,097	670,658	694,862	83,867	2,262,214	£ 105,840 ¹	53,774	£ 176,585	£ ?	449,644	9,403,237 ²
Queensland ...	364,683	85,035	189,265	43,950	83,431	63,639	275,715	141,553	783,311	4,188	74,447	328,463	...	1,326,962	...	58,104	66,177	£ 1,428	133,819	4,024,170
Sth. Australia Proper ...	1,749,914	32,405	73,568	41,191	20,576	8,724	1,58,094	86,490	606,409	27,919	194,230	208,058	...	882,192	55,186	22,673	£ 16,214	675	23,322	2,632,840
Do., N. Territory ...	6,402	...	7,778	350	385	5,072	317	1,706	17,684	572	1,693	5,326	...	87,697	4,160	2,753	992	...	1,887	144,774
Western Australia ...	161,704	17,370	103,056	68,514	15,268	63,895	56,949	111,184	749,129	22,565	303,330	237,262	29,848	373,819	52,941	29,734	£ 15,497	£ 1,187	£ 126,106	2,539,358
Total ...	2,152,816	579,474	985,644	503,081	287,551	269,681	1,847,069	1,028,364	5,813,053	1,63,544	1,594,504	1,988,471	195,839	6,812,032	218,127	233,328	305,267	5,790	875,450	25,859,085
Tasmania ...	75,496	17,473	39,331	11,189	2,189	5,115	47,984	44,714	152,776	...	46,440	78,095	...	316,417	4,139	8,851	425	?	20,820	871,454
New Zealand ...	380,173	119,051	115,293	152,057	61,999	16,959	458,295	139,996	968,917	4,864	538,600	388,546	...	1,767,468	...	36,428	75,417	?	59,448	5,283,511 ³
Grand Total	2,608,485	715,998	1,140,268	666,327	351,739	291,755	2,353,348	1,213,074	6,934,746	168,408	2,179,544	2,455,112	195,839	8,895,917	222,266	278,607	381,109	5,790	955,718	32,014,050

Name of Colony.	General Adminis- tration, Defences, and Police.	Proportion of Total Expenditure incurred for—								Public Debt Charges.	All other.	Total Expenditure per Head.
		Crown Lands.	Public Instruction and Science.	Charitable Institutions, Medical, &c.	Railways and Tramways.	Post and Telegraphs.	Other.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.
Victoria	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	per cent.	16.88	2.88	8.51	4.45	23.94
New South Wales ...	13.83	4.69	7.98	3.95	20.77	7.39	8.09					
Queensland ...	15.88	4.75	6.85	3.52	19.47	8.16	1.95					
South Australia Proper ...	10.67	2.68	6.00	3.29	23.03	7.90	8.44					
Do., Northern Territory ...	9.79	4.01	.22	1.18	12.22	3.68	1.56					
Western Australia ...	11.11	5.82	2.24	4.38	29.50	9.34	12.83					
Total ...	14.38	4.10	7.14	3.98	22.48	7.69	6.80					
Tasmania ...	15.18	2.12	5.51	5.13	17.53	8.96	5.33					
New Zealand ...	11.63	4.37	8.67	2.66	18.34	7.35	10.29					
Grand Total	13.95	4.09	7.35	3.79	21.66	7.67	7.33					

[For footnotes, see next page.]

NOTES.—GENERAL EXPENDITURE.

* For years to which the figures relate see footnote*, Table VIII.

† GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.—Consisting of cost of Legislature, Civil, Judicial, and Legal Establishments, and Gaols; also State aid to religion (if any); and all pensions payable out of the general revenue. The payments as State aid to religion were as follow:—£5,152 in New South Wales and £175 in Tasmania. The amount for New South Wales does not include pensions and gratuities, to the extent of about £107,740, which was paid out of the Civil Service Superannuation Account, to which the officers contributed £26,242, or at the rate of 4 per cent. of salaries; the balance at credit of the fund at the end of the year was £328,917. The following items are also included:—*Patent and Copyright Offices*—Victoria, £2,687; New South Wales, £1,355 (1896-7); Queensland, £1,599; South Australia, £387. *Insolvency* (Metropolitan Courts only)—Victoria, £3,400 (about); New South Wales, £2,429; Queensland, £2,519; South Australia, £2,237; Western Australia, £2,589. *Astronomer*—New South Wales, £4,353; Queensland, £1,824; Western Australia, £2,682, and Tasmania, £325.

‡ AGRICULTURE, ETC.—Including amounts paid towards the *Extermination of Rabbits*, wild dogs, and other vermin—£14,753 in Victoria, £33,030 in Queensland, and £1,117 in South Australia; towards the *Eradication of vine and other vegetable diseases*—£2,424 in Victoria and £2,499 in New South Wales; also *Advances to distressed farmers for purchase of seed*—Victoria, £10; and Queensland, £298. *Bonuses* were also granted to encourage the export of colonial products as follow:—£27,358 to dairying, agricultural, and wine and fruit industries in Victoria; £2,640 in South Australia proper. The following payments on account of *Labour and Village Settlements* are also included:—£5,898 in Victoria, £92 in New South Wales, and £811 in South Australia.

§ WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE.—In Victoria, the Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage works is under the control of a Board of Works. See Table XVIII., *post*. In Queensland the expenditure on sewerage has not been included.

|| GENERAL PUBLIC WORKS.—Including capital expenditure (other than that from loans) on public works and buildings of all kinds—such as public offices, court-houses, gaols and police buildings, customs houses, roads and bridges, harbor, drainage and reclamation works, &c.; also, in Victoria, Transfer to Public Works Account of £100,000 for Construction of Public Works under Surplus Revenue Act, No. 1622; and *Endowments or Subsidies to Municipalities* as follow:—£100,000 Victoria, £18,105 in New South Wales, £71,785 in Queensland, £99,967 in South Australia, £6,961 in Tasmania, and £72,640 in New Zealand.

¶ POST OFFICE, ETC.—Exclusive of cost of maintenance of Buildings, &c. (under “Public Works”).

** INTEREST, ETC., ON DEBT.—The amounts for New Zealand and New South Wales include contributions to the sinking fund. Interest on Treasury Bonds, &c., in aid of revenue included as follows:—Victoria, £18,937; New South Wales, £43,251; South Australia, £11,135; Tasmania (Local Stock), £17,000; New Zealand, £33,068.

†† PORTS AND HARBORS.—In Victoria, Tasmania, and New Zealand the principal ports, and in Tasmania light-houses also, are under the control of Trusts, the finances of which are given in Table XVIII., *post*. See also Table No. 14, in Appendix A., to the issue of these statistics for 1896.

†† MISCELLANEOUS.—Including the following general items of interest:—*Expenditure on Immigration* (apart from loans)—£147 in New South Wales, £1,020 in Queensland; and £8,669 in Tasmania; also on *Aborigines*—£5,081 in Victoria, £14,300 in New South Wales, £5,128 in Queensland, £4,480 in South Australia, £10,821 in Western Australia, and £750 in Northern Territory. *Royal Mint Subsidy*—£20,000 in Victoria, £15,000 in New South Wales, and £9,811 in Western Australia. *Payments to Postal Department for Official Letters and Telegrams* in New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, and Western Australia, as specified in Table XXXI., *post*. In *New South Wales* there are also included rates paid to municipalities and charges claimed by certain Departments of State for services rendered to other Departments generally—items which are not so included in the public accounts of Victoria, as follow:—Municipal rates on Government buildings, £10,246; Water and Sewerage rates on ditto, £9,086. Free passes to Members of Parliament and distinguished visitors, £18,000. The following *special items* are also included:—Victoria—Fire Brigades Act, £14,423; New South Wales—Government Labour Bureau and Relief of Unemployed, £6,849; Queensland—Labour Bureau, £6,905; South Australia—Expenses in connexion with Federal Convocation, £2,216. New Zealand—Native expenditure (chiefly on native land courts and schools), £30,663, and Labour Department, £6,462.

¹ Including ninth instalment of £75,000 towards redemption of a loan of £1,000,000 for the “reconstruction and improvement of rolling-stock and permanent way” on railways. Amount paid in redemption of Treasury Bonds in aid of revenue—£150,000—is excluded.

² Net expenditure as far as possible, some book entries, however, are still included. An amount of £150,000 paid towards redemption of Treasury Bills is excluded.

³ Including £425,000 transferred to Public Works Fund.

ADDENDUM.—EXPENDITURE UNDER VARIOUS HEADS, 1899-00.

Items.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia		Western Australia.	New Zealand.
				Proper.	Northern Territory.		
Railways (Working Expenses)	£ 1,801,482	£ 2,049,220	£ 947,191	£ 667,669	£ 24,285	£ 884,861	£ 1,039,412
Posts and Telegraphs	524,693	754,527	362,908	210,696	5,207	239,309	388,582
Defences	289,771	247,677*	102,964	33,792	...	31,484	162,940
Public Instruction	627,073	726,498	286,229	159,738	359	69,979	472,653
Interest and charges on Public Debt†	1,852,701	2,613,771	1,339,149	899,377	66,449	374,618	1,749,394
All other services	2,255,666	3,419,709	1,501,977	808,045	61,002	1,015,424	1,777,147
Total	... 7,351,386	9,811,402‡	4,540,418	2,779,317	157,302	2,615,675	5,590,128§

NOTE.—The figures for Victoria are approximate only, and may be slightly altered at a later period.

27 255 \$00

* Exclusive of cost of sending contingents to South Africa.

† Exclusive of amounts paid towards redemption of loans.

‡ Exclusive of £150,000 for redemption of Treasury Bills.

§ Including £450,000 transferred to the "Public Works Fund," but exclusive of £10,000 Treasury Bills paid off.

TABLE XI.—EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS DURING THE YEAR 1898-9.

Name of Colony.	Railways	Telegraphs	Water Supply.	Sewerage.	Harbors, Rivers, Light-houses, and Docks.	Roads and Bridges.	Defences.	Public Buildings.	Immigration.	Other Works and Services.*	Total.
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
Victoria ...	£ 451,087	...	£ 100,077	£ ...	£ ...	£ 34,827	£ 5,920	£ ...	£ 120,182	£ 712,093	
New South Wales	589,156	63,186	252,327	327,411	378,370	113,754	53,654	186,441	...	68,335	2,032,634
Queensland ...	648,828	34,569	18,236	...	37,003	29,325	13,342	47,497	18,849	207,138	1,954,787
South Australia	121,977	46,285	180,241	41,596	9,901	15,427	3,402	25,581	...	137,167	581,577
Western Australia ...	546,128	...	147,209	...	207,141	8,280	...	...	2,059	121,873	1,032,690
Total ...	2,357,176	144,040	698,090	369,007	632,415	166,786	105,225	265,439	20,908	654,695	5,413,781
Tasmania ...	64,967	...	...	...	9,903	73,608	1,827	13,292	...	12,660	176,257
New Zealand ...	271,134	20,691	...	...	11,350	226,855	10,049	77,735	76	500,793	1,118,683‡
Grand Total	2,693,277	164,731	698,090	369,007	653,668	467,249	117,101	356,466	20,984	1,168,148	6,708,721

NOTE.—Expenditure towards the redemption of old loans is excluded. For periods to which the figures relate, see footnote (*) to Table VIII., ante. For Loan aggregate expenditure to date, see Table XIV., post.

* Including the following items:—

In Victoria—Advance to Beet Sugar Company, £22,000.

In New South Wales—Charitable Institutions, £31,510; to promote Land Settlement, £21,413; Clearing and improving Crown Lands, £4,445; Local Land Office Sites and Buildings, £3,307.

In Queensland—Loans to Local Bodies, &c., £207,138 (including £48,356 advanced to Sugar Mills, making a total to date of £478,362, repayable's principal and interest by instalments).

In South Australia—Improvements Pastoral Leases, £32,484; Vermin-proof Fencing, £21,714; Village Settlements, Working Men's Blocks, £498. These are the gross amounts from which certain credits must be deducted, to obtain the net amount as shown in the table.

In Western Australia—Development of Gold Fields and Mining, £118,781; Development of Agriculture, £3,039.

In New Zealand—Land Purchases, £546,600; Loans to Local Bodies, £6,749.

† Included with Water Supply.

‡ According to the Loan Account, the expenditure was, £1,543,683, but as this included the expenditure of £425,000 transferred from the general revenue, the latter has been deducted, and the various items reduced *pro rata*.

ADDENDUM.—LOAN EXPENDITURE, 1899-00.

Name of Colony.	(1)	(2)	(3) and (4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10) a	(11)
Victoria ...	£ 593,619	...	£ 144,149	£ ...	£ ...	£ 229	£ ...	£ ...	£ 265,966	£ 1,003,963
New South Wales	857,343	84,334	420,455	335,071	74,494	31,895	280,296	...	127,693	2,211,581
Queensland ...	637,675	40,459	8,895	57,222	8,132	36,065	54,490	45,332	294,398	1,182,668
South Australia	184,630	24,888	284,383	24,855	7,330	1,263	20,369	...	54,932	602,650
Western Australia	151,111	...	474,615	197,488	731	...	...	338	54,046	878,329
New Zealand ..	417,937	26,771	...	9,026	316,804	42,810	115,427	385	642,444	1,571,604b

a Including the following items:—

Queensland—Loans to Local Bodies, £294,791 (including £18,511 advanced to Sugar Mills, making total to date of £496,873, repayable principal and interest by instalments); £9,177 for Purchase of Wire Netting; and £74,180 Endowment to Harbor Boards.

South Australia—Improvements Pastoral Leases, £41,717; Village Settlements, £4,375; Vermin-proof Fencing, £15,630; and Land Repurchase, £8,641 (less credit of £18,511 received on account of Working Men's Blocks, Blockholders' Loans, &c.)

New Zealand—Land Purchases, £183,024; Loans to Local Bodies, £52,539.

b Exclusive of the expenditure of £350,000 transferred from the general revenue. See footnote (‡) to preceding table.

TABLE XII.—STATE FUNDED DEBT AND ANNUAL INTEREST AND SINKING FUNDS ON 30TH JUNE, 1900.

Name of Colony.	Nominal Debt.			Annual Interest.			Accumulated Sinking Fund.
	Amount.	Per Head.	Amount.	Average Rate.	Per Head.		
Victoria ...	£ 48,774,885	£ s. d. 41 8 11	£ 1,867,604	per cent. 3·83	£ s. d. 1 11 9	£ 161,272	
New South Wales ...	63,299,859*	46 10 1	2,305,869	3·64	1 13 10	266,970	
Queensland ...	34,348,414	71 4 1	1,296,743	3·78	2 13 9	...	
South Australia ...	26,131,780	70 14 6	989,578	3·79	2 13 7	24,534	
Western Australia ...	11,674,640	65 10 4	402,254	3·45	2 5 2	377,161	
Total ...	184,229,578	51 12 8	6,862,048	3·72	1 18 5	829,937	
Tasmania ...	8,429,705	46 4 5	315,171	3·74	1 14 7	173,527	
Total Six Colonies	192,659,283	51 7 5	7,177,219	3·73	1 18 3	1,003,464	
New Zealand ...	47,873,732	62 19 1	1,816,591	3·79	2 7 9	944,375	
Grand Total ...	240,533,015	53 6 5	8,993,810	3·74	1 19 10	1,947,839	

NOTE.—In cases where a Redemption Loan and the Loan to be redeemed by it are both current at the same time, one or the other has been omitted. The figures for New Zealand relate to the 31st March, 1900.

* Exclusive of £1,550 overdue debentures and £4,000 overdue Treasury Bills unpresented.

TABLE XIII.—UNFUNDED DEBT (BORROWINGS NOT INCLUDED IN TABLE XII.) ON 30TH JUNE, 1900.

Name of Colony.	To Cover Deficiencies in—			Total.
	Consolidated Revenue.		Loan and Suspense Accounts.	
	Treasury Bills.	Advanced from Trust Funds, &c.	Advanced from Trust Funds.	
Victoria ...	£ 550,000	£ 1,830,386	£ 400,481	£ 2,780,867
New South Wales ...	2,027,584	966,487	2,117,498	5,111,569
Queensland ...	...	+47,789*	1,274,881†	1,227,092
South Australia ...	...	+5,506*	...	+ 5,506*
Western Australia ...	...	87,514	...	87,514
Total ...	2,577,584	2,831,092	3,792,860	9,201,536
Tasmania ‡ ...	92,885	...	...	92,885
New Zealand § ...	700,000	+155,352*	...	544,648
Grand Total ...	3,370,469	2,675,740	3,792,860	9,839,069

* The plus sign indicates revenue credit balance—not advances from Trust Fund—which forms a set-off to the Treasury Bills outstanding. In the case of New Zealand the balance has been reduced by £450,000 transferred to the Public Works Fund.

† Including £1,053,026 proceeds of Government Savings Bank Stock applied to the repurchase of debentures and Treasury Bills, less Stock repurchased by trustees.

‡ Including Local Inscribed Stock (of short currency) for revenue purposes, viz.:—£42,885.

§ On 31st March.

TABLE XIV.—STATE FUNDED DEBT.—EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS AND BALANCES UNEXPENDED TO 30TH JUNE, 1900.

(*Exclusive of Loans finally paid off.*)

Expenditure on—	£		New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.	Total Australasia.
	Victoria.	£							
REVENUE-YIELDING WORKS.									
Railways and Tramways	36,578,616	40,229,841	19,552,399	13,260,171	6,636,235	3,802,840	15,807,937	135,868,039	
Telegraphs and Telephones .. ..	..	1,080,807	908,384	908,490	269,308	124,454	855,771	4,207,214
Water Supply and Sewerage	7,521,853	8,927,257	852,399	4,649,592	724,576	..	..	22,675,677
Harbors, Rivers, Light-houses, and Docks	611,059	4,843,657	2,145,742	1,283,781	1,437,419	415,649	499,026	11,236,333	
Total	44,711,528	55,081,562	23,458,924	20,162,034	9,067,538	4,342,943	17,162,734	173,987,263	
ALL OTHER WORKS.									
Roads and Bridges	106,259	1,178,410	1,677,863	1,463,728	141,287	1,972,272	4,733,804	11,273,623	
Defence Works	133,355	1,266,781	259,489	244,073	..	123,854	4,049,810 ^a	6,107,362	
Public Buildings	968,362	2,793,881	1,035,443	1,058,920	63,876	685,423	3,851,427	10,457,332	
Immigration .. ..	..	853,943	2,632,570	..	23,372	235,000	2,459,385	6,204,270
Other purposes*	1,279,431	1,201,393	2,430,810	1,877,619	1,133,849	610,349	13,474,877	22,008,325	
Total expended	47,198,935	62,405,970	31,495,099	24,846,374	10,429,919	7,969,841	45,732,037	230,038,175	
Unexpended	534,177	— 1,972,241^b	{ — 40,448	{ 527,160	927,878	344,372	458,573	1,402,338	
Total Proceeds of Loans	47,733,112	60,433,729	32,077,518	25,333,534	11,357,797	8,314,213	46,190,610	231,440,513	
Expenses of Floating, Discounts, &c.	1,041,773	2,866,130	2,270,896	798,246	316,843	115,492	1,683,122	9,092,502	
Total Debt	48,774,885	63,299,859	34,348,414	26,131,780	11,674,640	8,429,705	47,873,732	240,533,015	

NOTE.—The following loans to Local Bodies, &c., are included in the foregoing table, under the respective headings shown :—

LOANS TO LOCAL BODIES, ETC.

Purposes.	Victoria.		Queensland.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.
	£	£			
Tramways	198,683	..	..	..	..
Waterworks	3,901,956 ^d	551,611	77,700 ^e	510,035	..
Harbors, &c. ..	..	108,648	25,639	..	..
Roads and Bridges	37,305	482,851	11,900	789,965	..
Other Public Works—Buildings .. ..	..	..	1,300	..	..
Other Purposes—					
Mining Companies .. ..	..	19,312	..	..	..
Sugar Companies	62,000	491,658	..	..	..
Miscellaneous .. ..	..	563,822 ^f	..	..	..
Total	4,199,944	2,217,902	116,539	1,309,000	

* Including the following amounts:—In Victoria, £1,085,131 expended on schools; South Australia, £174,551 for revenue deficiencies, about £6,000 on general public works for the Northern Territory, and £955,866 paid to lessees for improvements on pastoral leases; in Queensland, £1,303,577 for revenue deficiencies, £18,135 on schools, and £496,873 loans to sugar companies; in Western Australia, over £300,000 on the development of mineral resources; in Tasmania, £100,000, State aid to religion; in New Zealand, £3,542,000 for land purchases (partly from the Maoris), £721,000 on mining, £2,000,000 for advances to settlers, £500,000 for Bank of New Zealand preference shares, £386,000 for New Zealand Consols Deposits, and £786,000 to cover old provincial liabilities. Including also premiums on loans, which in some colonies are paid into the consolidated revenue; the amounts are, however, of small importance.

a Including £2,357,000 towards cost of the Maori War.

b Deficit covered by a temporary advance of £1,500,000 from the Trust funds.

c Apparent overdraft; if so, the cash balance—shown in the next line—would be reduced accordingly.

d Exclusive of an amount of £1,068,457 written off in 1899–1900, under Act No. 1625.

e Of which £35,000 was for “light and water.”

f Of which £505,066 was advanced to municipalities, particulars of which are not available.

TABLE XV.—STATE FUNDED DEBT—INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL—30TH JUNE, 1900.

Name of Colony.	Loans repayable in—								Total Debt Outstanding.	
	London.				Australasia.					
	Debentures.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bills in aid of Public Works.*	Total.	Debentures.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bills in aid of Public Works.*	Total.		
Victoria ...	£ 9,643,000	34,512,579	500,000	44,655,579	£ 809,795	£ 3,059,511	250,000	4,119,306	£ 48,774,885	
New South Wales ...	9,783,700	44,512,500	1,000,000	55,296,200	324,100	7,179,559	500,000	8,003,659	63,299,859	
Queensland ...	9,810,100	22,064,034	...	31,874,134	2,474,280	...	...	2,474,280	34,348,414
South Australia ...	9,485,100	13,829,100	...	23,314,200	...	2,817,580	...	2,817,580	26,131,780	
Western Australia ...	269,500	9,451,830	1,000,000	10,721,330	83,000	70,310	800,000	953,310	11,674,640	
Total ...	38,991,400	124,370,043	2,500,000	165,861,443	3,691,175	13,126,960	1,550,000	18,368,135	184,229,578	
Tasmania ...	3,023,750	4,456,500	...	7,480,250	222,915	726,540	...	949,455	8,429,705	
New Zealand ...	2,132,000	41,167,279	...	43,299,279	4,132,966	441,487	...	4,574,453	47,873,732	
Grand Total ...	44,147,150	169,993,822	2,500,000	216,640,972	8,047,056	14,294,987	1,550,000	23,892,043	240,533,015	

* Included with Funded Debt, as they will, as opportunity offers, be replaced by Debentures or Stock.

TABLE XVI.—RATES OF INTEREST ON LOANS OUTSTANDING, 30TH JUNE, 1900.

Name of Colony.	Nominal Amount of Loans Bearing Interest at—								Total.
	6%	5½%	5%	4½%	4%	3½%	3½%	3%	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria ...	...	...	...	5,000,000	26,810,795	...	12,250,000	4,714,090	48,774,885
New South Wales ...	92,000	4,500	1,708,000	3,700	22,065,440	...	29,826,200	9,600,019	63,299,859
Queensland ...	...	...	...	...	21,384,300	...	10,489,634	2,474,480	34,348,414
South Australia ...	666,200	...	290,000	...	16,302,400	...	3,363,000	5,510,180	26,131,780
Western Australia ...	32,500	...	83,100	77,800	4,010,930	...	1,620,310	5,850,000	11,674,640
Total ...	790,700	4,500	2,081,100	5,081,500	90,573,865	...	57,549,144	28,148,769	184,229,578
Tasmania ...	109,045	...	100	...	4,136,820	...	3,527,632	656,108	8,429,705
New Zealand ...	56,000	...	710,700	52,900	31,365,602	349,000	9,483,720	5,855,810	47,873,732
Grand Total ...	955,745	4,500	2,791,900	5,134,400	126,076,287	349,000	70,560,496	34,660,687	240,533,015

NOTE.—*Expenses of Paying Interest.* The charges for paying interest in London consist of exchange on remittances, averaging about 67 (13s. 5d.) per cent.; also, in the case of debenture loans, a commission of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the interest payable, except South Australia, which transacts the business free of charge in the office of the Agent-General; or, in the case of inscribed loans, an annual charge on the amount of debt inscribed for inscription and management. The average annual charge for such inscription, &c., was as follows in the colonies named:—Victoria, £250 per million; New South Wales, £428; Queensland, £457; South Australia, about £100 (business probably transacted by Agent-General); New Zealand, £436.

TABLE XVII.—DUE DATES AND RATES OF INTEREST ON STATE LOANS ON 30TH JUNE, 1900.

When Repayable.	Amounts Outstanding at each Rate of Interest in—														
	Victoria.			Queensland.			Western Australia.				Tasmania.				
	4 per cent.	Other Rates.	Total.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.*	Total.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.	Other Rates.	Total.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.	Other Rates.	Total.	
1900 ...	...	£	£	...	£	£	...	£	£	£	...	£	£	£
1901 ...	3,500,000	(3½ %) 250,000	3,750,000	...	...	...	1,000,000	500,000	(6 %) 32,500	1,532,500	...	22,028	(6 %) 5,945	13,165
1902 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(5 %) 34,000	34,000	28,100	...	(6 %) 3,100	151,441
1903 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(5 %) 31,500	31,500	55,680	2,560	(3 %) 107,354	165,594
1904 ...	457,000	(4½ %) 5,000,000	5,457,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	21,870	2,170	(3 %) 200	24,240	
1905 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(5 %) 17,600	17,600	10,400	43,674	(5 %) 100	176,786
1906 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70,310(4)	...	70,310	...	...	...	...
1907 ...	4,000,000	...	4,000,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300,000	...	(3 %) 43,815	343,815
1908 ...	2,000,000	...	2,000,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(3 %) 105,614	105,614
1909 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1911 ...	2,107,000(15)	...	2,107,000	...	...	...	1,876,000(20)	...	...	1,876,000	1,000,000	...	...	1,000,000
1912 ...	...	...	(3 %) 63,000(10)	63,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1913 ...	{ 746,795(10) } 4,000,000	...	4,746,795	1,466,500	...	1,466,500	...	...	...	...	545,950	700	...	546,650
1914 ...	...	...	...	...	11,728,800	...	11,728,800	...	...	...	800,000	...	...	800,000
1915 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	750,000(20)	(3 %) 3,750,000(20)	4,500,000	...	...	...	...	...
1916 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(3 %) 1,100,000(20)	1,100,000	...	...	...	...	...
1917 ...	...	(3 %) 3,059,511	3,059,511	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1919 ...	4,000,000	...	4,000,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1920 ...	6,000,000	...	6,000,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	{ 300,000 } 1,000,000(20)	(3½ %) 3,456,500(20)	...	4,756,500
1921 ...	...	(3½ %) 5,000,000(5)	5,000,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1922 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1923 ...	...	(3½ %) 7,000,000	7,000,000	8,189,000	4,784,834	12,973,834	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1924 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	67,600	...	...	67,600
1926 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(3 %) 1,000,000	1,000,000	...	...	...	...
1927 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1929 ...	...	(3 %) 1,591,579(20)	1,591,579	...	...	...	3,704,800	3,704,800	...	...	...	...	...	...
1930 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	975,830	...	...	...	...
1934 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,000,000	2,000,000	...	975,830	...	...	...	...
1945 ...	...	...	...	...	(3 %) 1,724,480	1,724,480	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1947 ...	...	...	...	...	(3 %) 750,000	750,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1950 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	159,100	...	(4½ %) 77,800	236,900	...	...	...	...
Annual Drawings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Indefinite	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	26,810,795	21,964,090	48,774,885	21,384,300	12,964,114	34,348,414	4,010,930	1,620,310	6,043,400	11,674,640	4,136,820	3,527,632	765,253	8,429,705	

TABLE XVII.—DUE DATES AND RATES OF INTEREST ON STATE LOANS ON 30TH JUNE, 1900—continued.

When Repayable.	Amounts outstanding at each Rate of Interest in—																	
	New South Wales.						South Australia.						New Zealand (31st March, 1899).					
	5 per cent.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.	Other Rates.	Total.	6 per cent.	5 per cent.	4 per cent.	Other Rates.	Total.	6 per cent.	5 per cent.	4½ per cent.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.	Other Rates.	Total	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
1900 ...	857,100	...	...	(5½%) 4,500	861,600	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	442,600	...	442,600
1901 ...	390,900	...	...	(6%) 30,000	420,900	67,300	...	...	...	67,300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1902 ...	399,300	1,000,000	...	(6%) 59,700	1,459,000	65,000	...	...	...	65,000	...	...	...	300,000	250,000	...	550,000
1903 ...	...	1,000,000	...	(4½%) 3,700	1,003,700	65,000	...	...	...	65,000	...	...	...	...	15,000	...	15,000
1904 ...	58,000	...	...	...	58,000	37,500	25,000	...	...	62,500	...	...	...	...	150,000	...	150,000
1905 ...	...	901,500	500,000	(6%) 2,300	1,403,800	47,500	25,000	...	...	72,500	...	...	...	153,100	140,700	...	557,800
1906 ...	...	224,900	...	...	224,900	37,500	...	...	...	37,500	...	...	...	...	939,766	...	939,766
1907 ...	...	...	...	...	...	37,500	...	1,000,000	...	1,037,500	...	...	...	1,000,000	{ 500,000 } (14)	...	1,500,000
1908 ...	...	1,450,000	...	...	1,450,000	11,000	...	1,940,100	...	1,951,100	...	...	...	283,000	117,000	...	400,000
1909 ...	...	1,799,500	...	...	1,799,500	28,100	...	3,094,600	...	3,122,700	40,000	...	...	...	62,000	{ 349,000 } (3½%)	451,000
1910 ...	...	2,863,700	...	...	2,863,700	60,300	...	...	...	60,300	...	...	25,000	...	441,487	...	466,487
1911 ...	...	...	...	...	...	18,300	50,000	...	...	68,300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1912 ...	...	2,609,350	...	(3%) 3,459,649	6,068,999	35,000	50,000	...	...	85,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1913 ...	...	...	...	...	...	46,300	...	...	...	46,300	...	...	27,900	468,400	...	496,300	
1914 ...	...	...	...	...	...	35,000	...	...	...	35,000	...	321,000	...	10,800	...	331,800	
1915 ...	...	...	...	...	...	25,000	10,000	...	...	35,000	3,800	...	...	...	...	...	3,800
1916 ...	...	...	...	...	...	20,000	26,000	{ 1,917,300 1,560,400(19) }	(3%) 4,670,680	{ 8,194,380 } 8,194,380	12,200	...	...	...	...	...	12,200
1917 ...	...	...	...	...	...	20,000	26,000	{ 2,182,400(19) 1,317,800 }	...	3,546,200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1918 ...	...	...	12,826,200	...	12,826,200	9,900	26,000	1,438,500	(1919)	1,474,400	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1919-20 ...	...	...	...	{ (1919) (3%) 220,050 }	{ 220,050 }	...	{ 26,000 (1920) 26,000 }	...	{ (3½%, 1920) 310,300 }	362,300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1924 ...	...	...	16,500,000	{ (3%) 198,065 222,255 }	16,698,065	...	...	1,651,300	...	1,651,300	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1925 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1926 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(3%) 839,500	839,500	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1929-45 ...	...	{ (1933) 9,686,300 }	...	{ (3%, 1935) 5,500,000 }	15,186,300	...	...	{ (1929) 200,000 }	(3½%, 1939) 3,052,700†	{ 3,252,700 }	...	...	...	{ (1929) 29,150,302 }	{ (1940) 6,161,167 }	{ (3%, 1945) 5,855,810 }	41,167,279
Annual Drawings	389,700	389,700
Indefinite	2,700	530,190	...	...	532,890	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,708,000	22,065,440	29,826,200	9,700,219	63,299,859	666,200	290,000	16,302,400	8,873,180	26,131,780	56,000	710,700	52,900	31,365,602	9,483,720	6,204,810	47,873,732	

NOTE.—The earliest date of repayment is given in all cases. When it is optional to continue the loan for a further term of years, without redemption, such period is shown in brackets after the amount. When the term is indefinite the sign § appears.—* Excepting two cases of 3 per cents., as indicated.—† Including £332,900 due in 1936.—‡ On £300,000, of which the rate of interest is assumed to be 3½ per cent. The interest payable is ¾ per cent. over the Bank rate, which of course is constantly varying.

TABLE XVIIA.—SUMMARY FOR AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA.

Earliest year when repayable.	Amount at each rate of interest.						Total.	Earliest year when repayable.	Amount at each rate of interest.						Total.
	6 per cent.	5 per cent.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.	3 per cent.	Other (as indicated).			6 per cent.	5 per cent.	4 per cent.	3½ per cent.	3 per cent.	Other (as indicated).	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1900 ... 5,945	857,100	7,220	300,000	...	(5½ %)	4,500	1,174,765	1919 ...	...	26,000	4,000,000	...	220,050	...	4,246,050
1901 ... 229,800	390,900	4,500,000	772,028	156,272	...	6,049,000	1920 ...	...	26,000	7,300,000	3,766,800	...	...	...	11,092,800
1902 ... 127,800	433,300	1,028,100	...	120,241	...	1,709,441	1921 ...	...	...	...	5,000,000	...	...	...	5,000,000
1903 ... 65,000	31,500	1,055,680	2,560	107,354	(4½ %)	3,700	1,265,794	1923 ...	...	...	7,000,000	...	...	...	7,000,000
1904 ... 37,500	83,000	478,870	2,170	200	(4½ %)	5,000,000	5,601,740	1924 ...	...	9,840,300	21,284,834	198,065	...	...	31,323,199
1905 ... 49,800	42,700	911,900	543,674	122,612	...	1,670,686	1925 ...	...	...	...	222,255	...	...	...	222,255
1906 ... 37,500	...	224,900	70,310	...	...	332,710	1926 ...	...	...	67,600	...	839,500	...	...	907,100
1907 ... 37,500	...	5,000,000	...	...	...	5,037,500	1927 ...	...	...	...	...	1,000,000	...	...	1,000,000
1908 ... 11,000	...	5,690,100	...	43,815	...	5,744,915	1929 ...	...	...	200,000	...	1,591,579	...	...	1,791,579
1909 ... 28,100	...	4,894,100	...	105,614	...	5,027,814	1930 ...	...	...	...	3,704,800	...	...	...	3,704,800
1910 ... 60,300	...	2,863,700	...	...	...	2,924,000	1933 ...	...	...	9,686,300	...	...	...	9,686,300	
1911 ... 18,300	50,000	4,983,000	...	...	...	5,051,300	1934 ...	...	...	975,830	...	...	...	975,830	
1912 ... 35,000	50,000	2,609,350	...	3,522,649	...	6,216,999	1935 ...	...	...	...	...	5,500,000	...	...	5,500,000
1913 ... 46,300	...	6,759,245	700	...	...	6,806,245	1936 ...	...	...	...	332,900	...	...	...	332,900
1914 ... 35,000	...	800,000	...	...	...	835,000	1939 ...	...	...	...	2,719,800	...	...	...	2,719,800
1915 ... 25,000	10,000	11,728,800	750,000	3,750,000	...	16,263,800	1945 ...	...	...	...	2,000,000	...	...	...	2,000,000
1916 ... 20,000	26,000	3,477,700	...	5,770,680	...	9,294,380	1947 ...	...	...	...	...	1,724,480	...	...	1,724,480
1917 ... 20,000	26,000	3,500,200	...	3,059,511	...	6,605,711	1950 ...	...	...	...	750,000	...	...	750,000	
1918 ... 9,900	26,000	1,438,500	12,826,200	...	...	14,300,600	Annual drawing	...	159,100	...	...	(4½ %)	77,800	...	236,900
							Indefinite	...	2,700	530,190	...	...	...	...	532,890
							Total debt	...	899,745	2,081,200	94,710,685	61,076,776	28,804,877	$\{ (5\frac{1}{2} \%) 4,500 \}$	192,659,283
												$\{ (4\frac{1}{2} \%) 5,081,500 \}$			

NOTE.—The loans of New Zealand have not been included in this table. For particulars, see preceding page.

TABLE XVIII.—FINANCES OF LOCAL BODIES OR CORPORATIONS, 1898.

Name of Colony.	No.	Municipalities.												
		Area.			Population.		Revenue (exclusive of Loans).				Expenditure.		Loans Outstanding.*	
		Acres. (000's omitted.)	Percentage of whole Colony.	Number. (000's omitted.)	Percentage of Total Population.	From Government.	Raised by Local Taxation.	From other Sources.	Total.	Ordinary.	From Loans.	Government Loans.	Other Loans.	
Victoria ...	208	55,886,	99.36	1,163,	98.98	£ 92,328	£ 832,489	£ 175,516	£ 1,100,333	£ 1,133,798	£ 39,241	£ 449,050	£ 3,536,264	
New South Wales ...	184	1,769,	.90	777,	57.73	94,870	465,421	160,604	720,895	838,868	...	...	2,727,569 ²
Queensland ...	153	427,681,	99.96	451,	90.40	73,859	239,391	73,707	386,957	506,137 ¹	(?)	476,515	(?)	
South Australia ...	174	27,190,	11.18	(?)	...	25,750	132,892	107,476	266,118	272,735 ¹	(?)	(?)	(?)	
Total ...	719	512,526,	55.52	...	...	286,807	1,670,193	517,393	2,474,393	2,751,538	...	...	...
Tasmania ...	140	7,150,	42.62	(?)	...	12,281	89,225	33,186	134,692	147,012	(?)	42,500	469,652	
New Zealand ...	1823	65,361,	97.76	703,	94.60	172,006	618,221	282,234	1,072,461 ⁴	1,230,199 ¹	(?)	789,965	2,895,547	
Grand Total ...	1,041	585,037,	58.11	...	...	471,094	2,377,639	832,723	3,681,456	4,128,749	...	...	...
Harbor and River Trusts or Boards.														
Name of Colony.	Number.	Expenditure.			Loans Outstanding.†	Number.	Expenditure.			Loans Outstanding.				
		Revenue (exclusive of Loans).	Ordinary.	From Loans.			Revenue (exclusive of Loans).	Ordinary.	From Loans.	Government Loans.	Other Loans.	...	...
		£ 132,948	£ 137,909	£ 2,000,000		1	£ 168,553	£ 281,421 ⁵	£ 439,969	£ 2,359,157	£ 3,893,580	...	...
Victoria ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	53,040	55,486 ¹	(?)	476,005	...	...	...
Queensland ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1	132,948	137,909	2,000,000	...	2	221,593	336,907	...	2,835,162	3,893,580	...	...
Tasmania ...	7	39,531	33,114	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
New Zealand ...	54	409,668	397,415	88,986	3,846,507	1	18,891	20,039	...	...	...	200,000	...
Grand Total ...	62	582,147	568,438	88,986	5,890,646	3	240,484	356,946	...	2,835,162	4,093,580	...	...

NOTE.—The figures relate usually to financial years terminating at various dates in 1898. There may be other local bodies in the various colonies; but the above are all, with the exceptions next referred to, respecting which particulars are available. Of corporations, not taken into account, there are Fire Boards (2) in Victoria and (30) in New South Wales, which derive their income secondhand from the Government, the municipalities, and the insurance companies; some of them have, however, raised independent loans, amounting in Victoria to £130,000. In Victoria, moreover, there are Waterworks, Irrigation, and Water Supply, and Country Tramways Trusts, which usually construct their works by means of moneys advanced from the Government Loan account, and have the power of levying rates locally to cover charges for maintenance, interest, and sinking fund; also a Metropolitan Tramways Trust, which borrowed £1,650,000 for the construction of tramways, leased to a public company; but as, although the debt is guaranteed by the municipalities, the company is responsible to the Trust for the payment of interest and principal, the Trust's finances are rather of a private, than a public, character. In New South Wales there are also the Metropolitan and Hunter River District Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, but these are not shown in the above table as their accounts are included in the Public Accounts; in 1897-8 the former had a revenue of £178,881, an annual expenditure of £196,264, and loans outstanding £3,050,161; whilst the latter had a revenue of £25,646, an expenditure of £29,699, and a debt of about £519,414. In Queensland there were in 1898 twelve Waterworks Boards whose revenue (exclusive of loans), chiefly derived from rates and the sale of water, was £48,894 (excluding £6,750 loan from Government), ordinary expenditure £36,077, and capital expenditure £28,629; they had, moreover, loans outstanding (advanced from Government loans) amounting to £309,727. In Tasmania there were also twelve Water Trusts with a revenue of £4,673, and an expenditure of £4,029. In New Zealand there were also eight Land Drainage Districts, one Water Supply District, with revenues respectively of £3,306 and £2,171; and expenditures of £6,080 and £5,855; also loans (exclusive of Government loans), £21,200.

* The information relating to the municipal loans of South Australia was not available. As against the loans, there were sinking funds as follow:—Victoria, £579,639 (£24,744 on account of Government loans); New South Wales, £256,742; Tasmania, £46,289; New Zealand, £335,739. ——† As against these loans were the following amounts at credit of sinking funds:—Tasmania, £6,340; New Zealand, £285,023.

¹ Including expenditure from loans. ——² Including Government loans. ——³ Boroughs and counties, but contained within the counties were 274 Town Districts and Road Districts. ——⁴ Exclusive of £271,535 other receipts (not revenue) consisting of loans, special grants from Government, and subscriptions for ordinary and special works. ——⁵ Including £93,701 interest paid on account of Government loans.

TABLE XIX.—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Value of Imports.				Value of Exports.				Value of Exports of Home Produce.
	From the United Kingdom.*	From the Australasian Colonies.	From other Countries.	Total.	To the United Kingdom.*	To the Australasian Colonies.	To other Countries.	Total.	
Victoria ...	£ 5,990,027	8,440,458	3,522,409	17,952,894	£ 5,648,150	£ 5,209,300	£ 7,710,330	£ 18,567,780	£ 14,038,600
New South Wales	8,211,351	12,113,402	5,269,562	25,594,315	8,992,480	9,524,267	9,928,719	28,445,466	19,221,854
Queensland ...	2,905,437	2,997,883	860,777	6,764,097	4,272,952	7,027,367	642,539	11,942,858	11,697,139
South Australia Proper ...	2,040,430	3,839,330	1,004,598	6,884,358	2,805,787	3,637,878	1,944,731	8,388,396	3,945,045
Do., Northern Territory ...	33,215	60,709	37,956	131,880	31,484	114,733	12,433	158,650	156,036
Western Australia	1,550,029	2,312,357	611,146	4,473,532	3,774,247	2,937,574	273,821	6,985,642	6,793,946
Total ...	20,730,489	29,764,139	11,306,448	61,801,076	25,525,100	28,451,119	20,512,573	74,488,792	55,852,620
Tasmania ...	501,120	1,218,942	49,262	1,769,324	1,039,640	1,198,376	339,459	2,577,475	2,557,315
New Zealand ...	5,526,645	1,336,828	1,876,160	8,739,633	9,427,515	1,708,036	802,784	11,938,335	11,799,740
Grand Total ...	26,758,254	32,319,909	13,231,870	72,310,033	35,992,255	31,357,531	21,654,816	89,004,602	70,209,675

Name of Colony.	Proportion of Total Imports from—			Proportion of Total Exports to—			Value per Head of—†			Exports of Home Produce.		
	The United Kingdom.	The Australasian Colonies.	Other Countries.	The United Kingdom.	The Australasian Colonies.	Other Countries.	Imports.	Exports.	Value per Head.†	Percentage of Total Exports.		
Victoria ...	per cent. 33.37	per cent. 47.01	per cent. 19.62	per cent. 30.42	per cent. 28.06	per cent. 41.52	£ 15 9 4	£ 15 19 11	£ 12 1 11	75.61		
New South Wales	32.08	47.33	20.59	31.62	33.48	34.90	19 0 6	21 2 11	14 5 9	67.57		
Queensland ...	42.95	44.32	12.73	35.78	58.84	5.38	14 4 7	25 2 5	24 12 1	97.94		
South Australia Proper ...	29.64	55.77	14.59	33.45	43.37	23.18	18 19 3	23 2 2	10 17 4	47.03		
Do., Northern Territory ...	25.19	46.03	28.78	19.84	72.32	7.84	26 14 6	32 2 11	31 12 4	98.35		
Western Australia	34.65	51.69	13.66	54.03	42.05	3.92	26 9 9	41 7 4	40 4 7	97.26		
Total ...	33.54	48.16	18.30	34.27	38.19	27.54	17 11 4	21 3 5	15 17 6	74.98		
Tasmania ...	28.32	68.89	2.79	40.34	46.49	13.17	9 16 11	14 6 10	14 4 7	99.22		
New Zealand ...	63.24	15.29	21.47	78.97	14.31	6.72	11 13 1	15 18 4	15 14 8	98.84		
Grand Total ...	37.00	44.70	18.30	40.44	35.23	24.33	16 5 2	20 0 3	15 15 8	78.88		

NOTE.—The following is the information for 1900 so far as available:—Imports—Victoria, £18,301,607; New South Wales, £27,561,071; South Australia, £8,034,552; Western Australia, £5,962,178; Tasmania, £2,073,657. Exports—Victoria, £17,442,552; New South Wales, £28,164,516; South Australia, £8,029,157; Western Australia, £6,852,054; Tasmania, £2,610,617.

* It is believed that the real origin of a considerable proportion of these imports is not the United Kingdom but the Continent of Europe; and, in like manner the ultimate destination of a large proportion of the exports to the United Kingdom is probably the same.

† In calculating these results the mean populations shown in the second-last column of Table I. have been used.

TABLE XX.—IMPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES (VALUE), 1899.

Articles,	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queens-land.	South Australia.		Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.	Total.							
				Preper.	Northern Territory.											
I.—FIT FOR IMMEDIATE CONSUMPTION.																
(a) <i>Natural Products.</i>																
Foods—				£	£	£	£	£	£							
Live Stock—Cattle	144,238	586,183	46,164	59,914	...	82,986	4,371	658	924,514							
" Sheep	439,530	236,231	120,481	69,783	110	92,293	26,425	3,669	988,522							
" Pigs	1,529	1,202	417	324	...	5,985	2,019	61	11,537							
Meats—Fresh or Salted—																
(Beef, Mutton, and Pork)	951	9,670	37		60	7	21,411	1,716	93,433							
" Frozen or Chilled—																
(Chiefly Mutton) ...	52,093	7,459	29		...											
Fish—Dried, Fresh, Preserved, Salted, and Frozen ...	116,969	174,504	42,687	29,068	1,038	26,279	690	31,080	422,315							
Grain—Oats	8,600	167,162	22,835	4,059	288	69,559	...	119	272,622							
" Rice	62,537	94,427	51,425	11,385	7,196	12,277	5,898	41,189	286,334							
" Beans and Peas ...	2,270	12,721	4,636	1,035	46	2,426	70	805	24,009							
Fruit—Fresh, and Nuts of all sorts	87,284	242,108	83,730	23,489	413	19,123	...	104,095	560,242							
Onions	39	41,652	20,281	291	255	8,801	411	2,698	74,428							
Potatoes	256	213,444	68,205	11,875	468	28,130	111	45	322,534							
Tea	335,942	430,894	135,593	105,315	1,347	65,237	45,933	183,691	1,303,952							
For Transport—Horses ...	181,919	102,049	21,276	6,229	470	11,743	4,610	14,450	342,746							
Animal and Vegetable Substances—																
Manures (including Guano and Bone-dust)	61,767	28,397	3,209	37,538	11	18,491	32,104	116,395	297,912							
Hay and Chaff	3,510	383,669	48,752	153	518	3,115	...	...	439,717					
Heat, Light, and Energy—Coal ...	276,137	1,304	27,165	244,719	562	95,144	18,552	92,815	756,398							
(b) <i>Manufactured Articles.</i>																
Foods—																
Meats—Canned—(Beef and Mutton)	22,423	163,998	4,050	6,072	1,639	59,444	8,659	2,171	268,456							
Bacon and Hams	1,381	51,016	597	8,063	552	83,970	2,600	157	148,336							
Butter	1,051	136,805	1,166	22,122	1,014	184,239	26,106	273	372,776							
Milk—Condensed and Preserved	10,214	80,594	26,007	15,693	659	59,681	...	14,891	207,739							
Wheaten Flour and Biscuits ...	8,800	338,285	280,481	4,635	3,271	86,566	1,291	2,965	726,303							
Oatmeal	1,128	21,389	9,401	11,584	80	10,263	113	...	53,958							
Sugar—Refined	260,212	9,839	403	139,345	1,944	116,485	107,397	136,273	771,898							
Fruits—Dried, Currents and Raisins	68,875	134,987	47,104	27,036	439	18,960	9,228	72,351	378,980							
" Canned and Bottled ...	1,126	1,319	7,215	1,509	1	25,306	147	9,641	46,264							
" Jams, Jellies, and Preserves	2,932	51,088	4,997	9,954	1,102	51,546	414	8,575	130,608							
Coffee—Ground and Essence ...	4,893	3,390	8,259	559	260	744	2,192	8,209	28,506							
Cocoa and Chocolate	36,928	79,129	21,045	24,373	101	8,905	6,893	38,875	216,249							
Stimulants—Spirits	251,558	437,678	181,082	72,597	4,096	89,669	24,914	207,349	1,268,943							
" Wine	41,871	67,235	33,312	9,566	1,253	21,369	8,499	51,640	234,745							
" Beer, Cider, and Perry ...	102,204	273,069	91,619	33,699	2,434	60,684	10,805	39,166	613,680							
Narcotics—Tobacco, manufactured, and Snuff																
" Cigars and Cigarettes ...	99,913	98,511	70,043	27,198	3,894	47,407	23,006	117,061	487,033							
" Opium	64,800	129,557	38,047	20,613	308	36,355	12,849	65,019	367,548							
Salt, Refined	12,697	32,282	39,556	749	9,850	2,802	1,108	3,499	102,543							
Textile Fabrics and Dress—																
Textiles—																
Wool and Worsted Manufactures	21,191	503,279	††	††	††	*	*	††	524,470							
Blankets	26,568	56,816	21,096	9,455	369	6,767	*	10,571	131,642							
Cotton and Linen Manufactures	181,201	*	†	†	†	*	*	11,409	192,610							
Carpets and Rugs	64,873	54,771	6,971	16,816	208	14,310	6,435	45,367	209,751							
Silk Manufactures	334,637	136,354	1,293	*	*	*	*	87,793	560,077							
Bags and Sacks (including Woolpacks)	208,731	272,777	55,042	117,029	54	25,385	45,107	164,032	888,157							
Dress—																
Hosiery	158,775	1	67,575	54,989	*	*	*	90,545	2,539,008							
Apparel and Slops	186,015	1	148,472	133,677	2,778	307,702	*	393,689								
Hats, Caps, and Bonnets	50,451	191,607	70,963	36,817	*	7,389	*	68,184	425,411							
Gloves	95,947	89,855	23,445	*	*	*	*	*	209,247							
Boots and Shoes	38,438	348,295	54,607	48,328	2,018	64,608	41,181	151,593	749,068							
All other kinds and unenumerated (including Drapery and Haberdashery) ...	428,060	1,881,996	307,983	254,474	2,653	157,768	399,741	530,724	3,963,399							
Total Textile Fabrics and Dress, Manufactured ...	1,794,887	4,530,541	757,447	671,585	8,080	583,929	492,464	1,553,907	10,392,840							
Building Materials—																
Timber, Dressed	239,294	148,455	5,041	142,062	1,053	12,619	18,352	7,285	574,161							
Cement	19,821	124,449	46,747	5,583	680	18,064	4,269	38,169	257,782							
For Transportation—																
Railway and Tramway Material (for use of Government, &c.)	154,794	188,573	77,072	19,493	339	139,867	43,701	127,592	751,431							
Bicycles and Tricycles ...	49,822	98,128	18,564	22,409	...	36,059	...	57,616	282,598							
Anchors	23	1,019	1,455	16	16	450	...	581	3,560							
Vegetable Matters—																
Paper of all kinds	285,062	322,834	69,613	52,676	141	28,105	19,734	135,482	913,647							
Derived from Fats, Oils, &c.—																
Soap	22,053	80,514	11,529	8,280	261	17,683	4,811	25,377	170,508							
Candles	5,945	67,469	3,926	7,631	638	1,697	3,231	25,769	116,306							

[See following page for notes.]

TABLE XX.—IMPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES (VALUE), 1899—continued.

Articles.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queens-land.	South Australia.		Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.	Total.
				Proper.	Northern Territory.				
Metal Manufactures—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Machinery, Tools, and Implements‡ ...	415,155	931,171	344,000	199,240	21,631	474,003	118,824	554,363	3,058,387
Iron—Bedsteads ...	32,463	32,463	3,571	24	2,656	38,714	781	17,168	
“ Castings (Fire-bars, &c.)	700	12,617	921	1,840	30	279	781	6,401	
“ Grates and Stoves ...	43	43	3,446	20	2,935	3,446	781	54,594	
“ Tanks ...	6,220	17,338	7,245	5,319	2	8,367	10,103	6,401	
“ Wire, Barbed Wire, and Wire Netting ...	129,656	209,526	103,226	59,824	156	23,624	10,357	124,267	660,636
Safes and Doors ...	43	7,174	43	268	24	2,021	43	43	9,487
Hardware and Ironmongery (including Hollowware) ...	174,149	486,070	267,332	103,945	1,317	45,263	66,012	320,941	1,465,029
Precious Metals—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Gold—Bullion ...	2,625,525	2,453,027	34,452	540	...	687	...	...	5,114,231
“ Specie ...	180,350	702,160	163,000	150,100	10,000	5,000	19,200	116,175	1,345,985
Silver—Bullion ...	2,232	1,195	35	31	...	1	18	62	3,574
“ Specie ...	60,849	70,837	30,531	42,112	...	...	9,605	8,320	222,254
Ceramics—Porcelain, Chinaware, and Earthenware ...	65,326	95,662	35,886	21,726	184	12,489	15,928	61,526	308,727
“ Glass and Glassware ...	77,963	97,740	32,879	22,203	195	11,859	9,324	104,524	356,687
Heat, Light, and Energy—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Coke and Charcoal ...	3,518	1,960	50	62,629	19	1,968	23,981	5,158	99,283
Kerosene Oil ...	122,454	176,651	71,497	45,209	899	37,128	9,779	51,363	514,980
Literature, &c.—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Books, Printed, and Periodicals ...	205,498	129,364	63,802	48,208	186	25,062	34,238	132,260	638,618
Stationery ...	44,451	156,396	37,730	37,971	432	23,700	952	100,875	402,507
Miscellaneous—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Government and Military Stores ...	83,917	5,015	129,220	75,444	9,245	23,905	48,553	...	375,299
II.—REQUIRING FURTHER MANUFACTURE.				£	£	£	£	£	£
(a) Raw Materials.				£	£	£	£	£	£
Foodstuffs—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Grain—Wheat ...	20,332	151,268	109,920	864	43	11,714	3	18	294,162
Sugar—Raw ...	423,506	743,170	1,584	1,937	...	435	63	218,652	1,389,347
Coffee—Raw ...	36,125	26,640	4,055	11,786	3	3,452	1,370	10,033	93,464
Cocoa Nibs ...	12,913	3,872	41	...	2	...	4,177	21,005	
Hops ...	29,362	55,465	17,729	14,142	29	15,055	1,374	5,258	138,414
Tobacco—Unmanufactured ...	61,841	54,862	1,985	14,537	...	2,508	...	2,093	137,826
Salt—Rock and unrefined ...	473	9,286	1,554	98	17	41	103	2,293	13,865
Animal Matters—Wool ...	2,351,059	1,589,044	11,600	393,443	...	...	692	456	4,346,294
Hides and Skins ...	335,899	673,207	2,678	64,665	...	13	8,310	7,986	1,092,758
Shells—Pearl, Tortoise, &c. ...	17,813	...	...	...	...	...	...	518	18,331
Vegetable Matters—Timber, rough ...	202,004	321,232	21,375	69,296	...	30,421	2,039	75,799	722,166
Fats, &c.—Tallow ...	20,408	242,996	4	4,122	65	41	181	1,689	269,506
Metals, Minerals—Iron Ore ...	147	2,923	10	158	...	...	...	...	...
Copper Ore and Copper (unmanufactured) ...	4,109	72,718	2,794	12,691	96	2,382	987	15,861	326,274
Tin Ore and Ingots ...	25,682	131,710	39	8,973	...	2,647	42,347	...	
Silver Ore and Silver Lead ...	100	19,009	5,341	1,666,299	...	...	...	...	1,690,749
(b) Partly Manufactured.				£	£	£	£	£	£
Foodstuffs—Malt ...	591	120,147	44,148	7,068	1	41,539	178	1,173	214,845
Textiles—Woollen Piece Goods ...	571,083	§	199,710	168,793	419	*	*	275,579	1,215,584
Cotton and Linen Piece Goods ...	874,973	*	439,691	273,307	2,194	*	*	505,253	2,095,418
Silk Piece Goods ...	||	||	33,946	*	*	*	*	16,422	50,368
Total Textiles, partly manufactured	1,446,056	...	673,347	442,100	2,613	...	...	797,254	3,361,370
For Transportation—Bicycles, parts of ...	97,667	¶	15,562	9,321	...	¶	...	54,999	177,549
Animal Matters—Leather ...	120,437	106,329	36,721	22,583	675	31,393	3,530	72,051	393,719
Minerals, Metals, &c.—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Iron—Angle, bar, rod, bolts and nuts, galvanized-sheet, girders, H-rolled, hoop, pig, pipes, plate, scrap, sheet, nails and screws, steel, steel cranks and tires, and steel cordage ...	581,295	829,811	351,693	297,628	2,447	346,002	70,899	539,278	3,019,053
Miscellaneous—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Drugs and Chemicals ** ...	309,468	438,663	180,603	93,678	3,424	110,423	33,819	253,381	1,423,459
III.—UNCLASSIFIED.				£	£	£	£	£	£
All other Articles ...	2,321,473	3,945,145	1,370,430	894,176	21,045	805,791	300,225	1,672,060	11,330,345
Total Imports ...	17,952,891	25,594,315	6,764,097	6,884,358	131,880	4,473,532	1,769,324	8,739,633	72,310,033

* Included under the head of Dress, all other kinds, and unenumerated—I. (b).

† Included with Cotton and Linen Piece Goods.

‡ Including steam-engines and boilers, machinery and implements undefined, sewing machines, weighing machines, tools and utensils, forges and anvils, printing presses, chaff cutters, lawn mowers, wheelbarrows, cream separators, lithographic machinery, &c.

§ Included with Wool and Worsted Manufactures—I. (b). || Included with Silk Manufactures—I. (b).

¶ Included with Bicycles and Tricycles—I. (b).

** Including acids and alkalies, alum, essences and essential oils, sulphur, naphtha, cream of tartar, gelatine, glycerine, nitrate of silver, and drugs unenumerated. || Included with Woollen Piece Goods.

†† Not separately specified.

NOTE.—The following are other principal articles of import of special interest to individual colonies named:—

	Victoria.	£	Western Australia.	£
Indiarubber goods
Fancy goods	73,566	Furniture ..	15,227
New South Wales.	..	78,446	Vegetables—Preserved ..	10,738
Lead	26,345	Carts, carriages, and waggons ..	3,996
Vegetables—Fresh	43,727	Cheese ..	19,036
Queensland.	Tasmania.	
Musical instruments	39,499	Oilmen's stores ..	35,582
Jewellery	30,199	Grass and clover seeds ..	
South Australia.	Fancy goods and toys ..	
Oil	32,794	New Zealand.	
Carriages and carts	4,535	..	45,271
				110,114

TABLE XXI.—EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES (VALUE), 1899.

(Including Re-Exports.)

Articles.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.		Western Australia	Tasmania.	New Zealand.	Total.							
				Proper.	Northern Territory.											
I.—FIT FOR IMMEDIATE CONSUMPTION.																
(a) <i>Natural Products.</i>																
Foods—																
Live Stock—Cattle ...	53,169	135,757	709,820	39,457	40,826	1,239	19	4,318	984,605							
" Sheep ...	156,957	519,546	181,289	42,615	2,500	470	27,973	6,637	937,987							
" Pigs ...	2,705	10,560	...	610	...	14	25	343	14,257							
Meats—Fresh or Salted—Beef	822	7,952	11,577	1,114	{ ... }	3,513	{ ... }	7,724	{ 33,462 }							
" " Mutton	732	28	1	1,114	{ ... }	68	...	122	685							
" " Pork	251	75	165	4	...	...	...	197,009	1,057,289				
" Frozen or Chilled—Beef	22,002	41,810	796,468	...	...	...	...	1,777,078	2,371,136			
" " Mutton	229,534	290,411	37,265	36,848	...	...	...	...	543			
" " Pork	485	...	58	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Grain—Oats ...	38,230	11,800	91	4,639	...	...	81,669	286,102	422,531					
" Beans and Peas ...	3,831	3,178	22	189	...	40	8,176	12,837	28,273							
" Potatoes ...	31,174	41,400	260	9,887	...	426	95,025	39,618	217,790							
Fruit, Fresh and Dried (including Nuts of all kinds) ...	78,533	137,855	94,579	55,116	18	164	172,720	1,520	540,505							
Heat, Light, and Energy—Coal ...	339	1,005,794	7,428	30,888	...	45,283	1,201	86,723	1,177,656							
For Transport—																
Horses ...	139,306	213,092	36,275	27,425	2,644	3,012	7,285	12,880	441,919							
Animal and Vegetable Substances—																
Manures (including Guano and Bone-dust) ...	17,878	61,669	54,513	4,393	...	5,165	...	623	144,241							
(b) <i>Manufactured Articles.</i>																
Foods—																
Butter ...	1,404,830	347,262	49,517	81,083	...	315	1,812	571,799	2,456,618							
Cheese ...	15,717	6,990	250	3,577	...	15	1	141,818	168,368							
Flour and Biscuit ...	280,527	127,653	434	343,428	...	467	18,244	12,617	783,370							
Oatmeal ...	22,473	4,405	59	2,085	...	...	216	16,968	46,206					
Sugar and Molasses—Refined ...	7,836	5,678	1,174,693	68,348	4	727	18	4,988	1,262,292							
Fruits—Canned and Bottled ...	13,861	16	281	3,456	...	25	10,531	165	28,335							
" Jams, Jellies, and Preserves ...	26,132	9,838	713	18,035	...	...	40,329	697	95,744					
Stimulants—Wine ...	57,492	21,714	455	83,908	...	2,771	27	1,027	167,394							
Narcotics—Tobacco (Manufactured) and Snuff Cigars and Cigarettes	53,047	34,630	2,396	14,647	10	456	336	3,005	108,527							
Textiles, Fabrics, and Dress—	21,170	52,473	910	10,704	2	384	...	1,765	87,408							
Wool and Worsted Manufactures	1,515	67,102	708	*	...	*	*	62	69,387							
Blankets ...	3,076	1,266	988	1,690	...	241	487	1,128	8,876							
Cotton and Linen Manufactures	13,862	*	...	*	...	*	*	...	13,862							
Carpets and Rugs ...	3,972	2,317	198	2,635	...	64	*	3,122	12,308							
Silk Manufactures ...	3,895	12,318	...	*	...	*	*	...	16,213							
Bags and Sacks (including Wool-packs) ...	42,903	119,534	1,707	20,475	...	159	482	1,098	186,358							
Dress—																
Hosiery ...	8,622	*	261	9,716	...	*	*	1,238	19,837							
Apparel and Slops ...	149,800	34,384	5,933	46,838	19	4,885	*	6,167	248,026							
Hats, Caps, and Bonnets ...	16,562	10,623	1,124	6,457	...	*	*	183	34,949							
Gloves ...	9,438	4,019	79	*	...	*	*	*	13,539							
Boots and Shoes ...	51,929	48,741	3,580	36,852	...	1,038	163	1,177	143,480							
All other kinds and unenumerated (including Drapery and Haberdashery) ...	60,056	280,605	4,939	45,254	20	3,942	603	2,634	398,053							
Total Textiles, Fabrics, and Dress, Manufactured ...	365,630	580,909	19,517	169,917	39	10,329	1,735	16,809	1,164,885							
Building Materials—																
Timber—Dressed ...	12,548	44,659	...	38,698	...	+	32,194	25,840	153,939							
Vegetable Matters—																
Bark ...	22,772	2,042	5	69,985	...	...	31,042	...	125,846					
Derived from Fats, Oils, &c.—																
Candles ...	4,612	4,825	229	12,271	...	350	...	16	22,303							
Precious Metals—																
Gold—Bullion ...	197,642	922,931	2,613,511	63,191	63,459	5,451,368	201,235	1,513,245	11,026,582							
" Specie ...	4,164,222	3,480,286	71,520	164,400	...	79,692	...	5,349	7,974,469							
Silver—Bullion ...	270	14,430	652	584,765	...	15,709	...	40,838	656,664							
" Specie ...	28,900	62,495	100	3,565	...	...	...	9,564	104,624				
Heat, Light, and Energy—																
Coke and Charcoal ...	1,662	37,257	1,679	372	...	...	...	9	40,979				
II.—REQUIRING FURTHER MANUFACTURE.																
(a) <i>Raw Materials.</i>																
Food stuffs—																
Grain—Wheat ...	1,252,131	57,353	106	422,441	...	...	31,895	338,476	2,102,402					
Hops ...	18,469	16,244	891	2,086	...	104	13,555	29,191	80,540							
Sugar—Raw ...	147,134	241,716	2	93	...	...	...	36	388,981				
Tobacco—Unmanufactured ...	10,432	5,120	...	755	...	565	...	...	16,872					
Fruit Pulp ...	9,790	1,119	32	931	...	...	20,486	336	32,694					

[See following page for notes.]

TABLE XXI.—EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES (VALUE), 1899—continued.
(Including Re-Exports.)

Articles.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queens-land.	South Australia.		Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.	Total.
				Proper.	Northern Territory				
Animal Matters—				£	£	£	£	£	£
Wool	... 5,701,410	11,738,607	3,390,779	1,889,905	8,439	423,296	357,757	4,324,627	27,834,820
Hides and Skins	... 505,167	1,035,905	700,303	246,266	3,021	20,983	46,385	350,511	2,908,541
Shells—Pearl and Tortoise	... ..	14,035	140,503	...	30,065	‡ 110,667	...	680	295,950
Vegetable Matters—									
Timber—Rough	... 11,054	101,777	6,848	...	...	8582,917	8,736	171,461	882,793
Fats, &c.—Tallow	... 141,334	510,861	468,829	12,263	...	4,525	4,055	311,228	1,453,095
Precious Metals, &c.—									
Silver Ore and Silver Lead	... ..	2,047,497	11,111	1,173,856	110	...	208,869	...	3,441,443
Metals, Minerals—									
Copper—Ore and Unmanufactured	... 1,891	471,262	22,551	30,020	1,013	41,461	762,028	...	1,330,226
Tin—Ore and Ingot	... 12,155	222,192	80,959	171	180	23,163	281,947	...	620,767
(b) <i>Partly Manufactured.</i>									
Foodstuffs—Malt	... ..	4,765	8,285	22	5,817	...	...	912	41,253
Textiles—									
Woollen Piece Goods	... 49,627	||	1,116	24,722	...	...	...	8,389	83,854
Cotton and Linen Piece Goods	... 62,583	*	1,613	20,998	10	...	...	7,671	92,875
Silk Piece Goods	... 37,997	¶	248	*	...	...	...	343	38,588
Total Textiles partly manufactured	... 150,207	...	2,977	45,720	10	...	...	16,403	215,317
Animal Matters—Leather	... 314,283	439,429	6,071	57,759	...	336	2,746	98,503	919,127
III.—UNCLASSIFIED.									
All other articles	... 2,810,267	3,283,644	1,244,143	2,510,693	6,310	155,623	107,191	1,455,577	11,573,448
Total Exports	... 18,567,780	28,445,466	11,942,858	8,388,396	158,650	6,985,642	2,577,475	11,938,335	89,004,602

* Included under the head of Dress, all other kinds, and unenumerated.—† Included with Timber—Undressed.—‡ Including pearls valued at £20,000, and mother-of-pearl, valued at £87,346.—§ Including sandalwood, £29,719.—|| Included with Woollen Manufactures.—¶ Included with Silk Manufactures.

NOTE.—The following are particulars of other chief Exports of interest to individual colonies:—

Victoria.	£	South Australia.		£
		Eggs	Salt	
Oil of all kinds	.. 87,727	..	..	.. 62,493
Spirits—Brandy	.. 30,486	..	..	.. 44,114
Onions	.. 20,427	..	..	.. 17,161
Soap	.. 14,548	..	..	..
Northern Territory.				
Bêche-de-mer	..	..	..	.. 3,515
Western Australia.				
Jewellery	..	..	..	.. 1,321
Tasmania.				
Oil—Eucalyptus	..	..	..	.. 2,942
New Zealand.				
Kauri Gum	..	..	..	.. 607,987
Grass and Clover Seeds	..	..	..	.. 62,057
Phormium	..	..	..	.. 184,411
Fish	..	..	..	.. 22,876
Copra	..	..	..	.. 3,083
Fungus	..	..	..	.. 10,593

TABLE XXII.—SHIPPING,* 1899.

Name of Colony.	Inwards.				Outwards.				Inwards and Outwards.			
	Inwards.		Outwards.		Steam only.		Steam and Sailing.					
	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.				
Victoria ... 2,024	2,662,792	2,031	2,678,663	3,525	4,955,847	4,055	5,341,455					
New South Wales ... 3,219	3,468,591	3,199	3,526,960	5,195	5,757,341	6,418	6,995,551					
Queensland ... 662	730,450	630	733,613	†	†	†	1,292	1,464,063				
South Australia Proper ... 1,020	1,708,556	1,025	1,720,810	1,637	3,089,428	2,045	3,429,366					
Do., Northern Territory 72	94,903	73	94,982	†	†	†	145	189,885				
Western Australia ... 685	1,333,052	668	1,305,596	1,004	2,335,432	1,353	2,638,648					
Total ... 7,682	9,998,344	7,626	10,060,624	11,361†	16,138,048†	15,308	20,058,963					
Tasmania ... 798	663,102	756	655,601	1,297	1,264,401	1,554	1,318,703					
New Zealand ... 609	811,183	604	807,866	711	1,343,118	1,213	1,619,049					
Grand Total ... 9,089	11,472,629	8,986	11,524,091	13,369†	18,745,567†	18,075	22,996,720					

TABLE XXIII.—SHIPPING* TO AND FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES, 1899.

Colony.	Tonnage of Vessels Entered—				Tonnage of Vessels Cleared—			
	From United Kingdom.	Fr m Australasian Colonies.	From Other Countries.	Total.	To United Kingdom.	To Australasian Colonies.	To Other Countries.	Total.
Victoria ...	415,630	1,742,401	504,761	2,662,792	489,142	1,848,076	341,445	2,678,663
New South Wales ...	463,583	2,074,950	930,058	3,468,591	427,409	2,003,963	1,095,588	3,526,960
Queensland ...	102,314	470,897	157,239	730,450	140,248	439,166	154,199	733,613
South Australia Proper ...	337,422	1,044,214	326,920	1,708,556	327,674	1,156,004	237,132	1,720,810
Do., Northern Territory ...	... 42,452	52,451	94,903	... 50,028	... 44,954	94,982	... 290,247	... 1,305,596
Western Australia ...	233,815	770,945	328,292	1,333,052	356,867	658,482	... 2,289,406	... 11,524,091
Total ...	1,552,764	6,145,859	2,299,721	9,998,344	1,741,340	6,155,719	2,163,565	10,060,624
Tasmania ...	114,340	532,916	15,846	663,102	42,961	606,854	5,786	655,601
New Zealand ...	220,712	423,616	166,855	811,183	305,111	382,700	120,055	807,866
Grand Total ...	1,887,816	7,102,391	2,482,422	11,472,629	2,089,412	7,145,273	2,289,406	11,524,091

* Exclusive of Coastal trade.

TABLE XXIV.—SHIPPING AND COMMERCE AT PRINCIPAL AUSTRALASIAN PORTS, 1899.

Chief Local Ports.	Shipping.*		Commerce.	
	Entered.	Cleared.	Imports.	Exports.
<i>In Victoria—</i>				
Melbourne ...	2,535,186	2,411,932	15,348,737	16,194,858
Geelong ...	85,547	200,021	144,071	929,696
Border Towns ...	38,285	39,796	951,824	906,005†
Other Ports ...	3,774	26,914	1,508,262	537,221
Total ...	2,662,792	2,678,663	17,952,894	18,567,780
<i>In New South Wales—</i>				
Sydney ...	2,589,457	1,977,067	21,502,378	21,731,481
Newcastle ...	711,620	1,283,157	622,446	1,640,902
Other Ports ...	167,514	266,736	3,469,491	5,073,083
Total ...	3,468,591	3,526,960	25,594,315	28,445,466
<i>In Queensland—</i>				
Brisbane ...	521,242	508,024	3,867,444	2,894,046
Rockhampton ...	10,875	12,643	722,336	2,393,380
Townsville ...	31,939	14,998	949,828	3,176,531
Bundaberg ...	4,969	3,854	110,004	479,205
Cairns ...	163	1,176	127,199	278,854
Maryborough ...	1,793	3,138	218,494	111,531
Other Ports ...	159,469	189,780	788,792	2,612,311
Total ...	730,450	733,613	6,764,097	11,942,858
<i>In South Australia—</i>				
Port Adelaide ...	1,490,204	1,427,426	4,211,219	4,861,562
Pirie ...	121,736	220,176	330,084	1,633,240
Wallaroo ...	49,540	24,381	80,127	468,171
Augusta ...	16,380	7,970	7,207	80,235
Morgan (Murray River) ...	14,057	14,320	233,635	36,427
Other Ports ...	16,639	26,537	2,022,086	1,308,761
Total ...	1,708,556	1,720,810	6,884,358	8,388,396
<i>In Western Australia—</i>				
Fremantle ...	342,715	368,890	3,978,730‡	3,037,830
Albany ...	921,680	871,219	179,122	3,081,619
Bunbury ...	26,593	23,809	56,329	101,282
Geraldton ...	1,620	3,260	140,041	298,721
Cossack ...	1,270	641	19,210	209,735
Other Ports ...	39,174	37,777	100,100	256,455
Total ...	1,333,052	1,305,596	4,473,532	6,985,642
<i>In Tasmania—</i>				
Hobart ...	383,354	373,717	682,498	846,342
Launceston ...	96,442	77,838	673,550	825,437
Other Ports ...	183,306	204,046	413,276	905,696
Total ...	663,102	655,601	1,769,324	2,577,475
<i>In New Zealand—</i>				
Auckland ...	311,827	214,351	2,211,719	1,860,604
Wellington ...	218,516	252,167	2,067,111	1,896,291
Lytton ...	55,308	118,333	1,449,473	2,311,293
Dunedin ...	64,351	20,257	1,845,969	1,316,385
Other Ports ...	161,181	202,758	1,165,361	4,553,762
Total ...	811,183	807,866	8,739,633	11,938,335
Grand Total ...	11,377,726	11,429,109	72,178,153	88,845,952

* Exclusive of Coastal trade in all the colonies, and trade with the Northern Territory of South Australia.

† Including Exports direct from Melbourne, not credited to various border ports, viz., £748,520.

‡ Including £764,513 entered at Perth.

TABLE XXV.—GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS, 1898-9.

Name of Colony.	Gauge.	Miles Open—			Miles being Constructed.	Capital Cost of Lines Open for Traffic at end of year.*		Revenue Account.†										
		At End of Year.		Average.		Amount.	Average per Mile Open.	Gross Receipts.‡					Working Expenses.			Net Receipts.		
		Total.	Per 1,000 Inhabitants.			£	£	£	£	£	Total.	Average per Train Mile.	Amount.	Percentage of Receipts.	Per Train Mile.	Amount.	Percentage of Capital Cost.§	
Victoria { 5 ft. 3 in. 3,097 1 2 6 30 } 3,105 2.69 75 38,974,410 12,463 1,307,571 1,501,729 64,429 2,873,729 71.00 1,797,726 62.56 44.41 1,076,003 2.77																		
New South Wales 4 ft. 8 1/2 2,707 2.01 2,704 119 37,992,276 14,035 1,128,460 1,982,017 34,796 3,145,273 85.72 1,765,442 56.13 48.12 1,379,831 3.64																		
Queensland 3 ft. 6 2,746 5.78 2,703 54 18,670,208 6,799 409,744 916,593 47,138 1,373,475 56.61 784,811 57.14 32.35 588,664 3.21																		
South Australia Proper { 5 ft. 3 in. 1,229 3 6 495 } 4.74 1,724 ... 12,886,359 7,475 297,207 731,156 30,034 1,058,397 65.15 617,380 58.33 38.00 441,017 3.44																		
" " Northern Territory ... 3 ft. 6 146 20.58 146 ... 1,155,684 7,915 3,173 10,091 1,494 14,758 115.53 17,375 117.73 136.02 -2,617 -2.22																		
Western Australia || ... ... 3 ft. 6 1,355 8.02 1,270 ... 6,427,370 4,743 320,048 639,933 44,639 1,004,620 74.01 712,329 70.90 52.48 292,291 5.09																		
Total 11,805 3.36 11,652 248 116,106,307 9,835 3,466,203 5,781,519 222,530 9,470,252 72.09 5,695,063 60.14 43.35 3,775,189 3.29																		
Tasmania { 3 ft. 6 in. 420 2.0 18 } 2.44 445 18 3,604,222 8,229 80,961 99,848 12,350 193,159 57.51 152,798 79.11 45.49 40,361 1.12																		
New Zealand 3 ft. 6 2,084 2.78 2,060 ... 16,404,076 7,871 541,971 882,077 45,617 1,469,665 88.87 929,737 63.26 56.22 539,928 3.33																		
Grand Total 14,327 3.22 14,157 266 136,114,605 9,500 4,089,135 6,763,444 280,497 11,133,076 73.60 6,777,598 60.88 44.80 4,355,478 3.24																		

Name of Colony.	Rolling-stock.								Traffic.†							
	Locomotives Working.			Vehicles of all kinds.					Train Mileage.		Passenger Journeys.		Goods and Live Stock.			
	Number.	Per 100 Miles Open.	Passenger.	Goods and Live Stock.	Total.	Number.	Per Mile Open.	Total.	Per Head.	Number.¶	Average per Mile Open.	Tons Carried.	Average Tonnage per Mile Open.			
Victoria 517 16.53 1,092 9,493 10,585 3.38 9,714,298 8.26 45,805,043 14,648 2,779,748 4 889																
New South Wales 491 18.14 751 11,099 11,850 4.38 8,806,647 6.54 24,726,067 9,134 5,248,320 1,939																
Queensland 320 11.65 477 5,361 5,838 2.13 5,822,230 11.68 8,336,614 3,036 1,684,858 5 614																
South Australia Proper 336 19.49 372 6,428 6,800 3.94 3,899,061 10.74 6,171,081 3,579 1,403,727 814																
" " Northern Territory ... 6 4.11 7 134 141 .97 30,657 6.25 3,191 .22 3,187 .22																
Western Australia 231 17.05 343 4,558 4,901 3.62 3,257,871 19.38 5,872,200 4,334 1,148,252 847																
Total 1,901 16.10 3,042 37,073 40,115 3.40 31,530,764 8.87 90,914,196 7,701 12,268,092 1,039																
Tasmania 67 15.30 164 1,185 1,349 3.08 805,089 4.49 640,587 1,463 312,446 713																
New Zealand 293 14.06 762 9,580 10,342 4.96 3,968,708 5.34 12,441,888 5,970 2,624,059 1,259																
Grand Total 2,261 15.78 3,968 47,838 51,806 3.62 36,305,561 8.11 103,996,671 7,259 15,204,597 1,061																

[For Notes see next page.]

NOTE.—The figures for Tasmania relate to the calendar year 1899, and those for New Zealand to the year ended 31st March, 1899. In other cases the figures relate to the year ended 30th June, 1899.

* The amounts included in these columns generally represent the actual expenditure on construction, irrespective of the cost of floating loans, and without regard to the deficiencies below or premiums received above the nominal amount of loans for railway purposes as contracted by the different colonies, except South Australia, which includes on this account £434,432, also interest paid during construction, £56,035. The capital cost includes contributions from the general revenue as follow:—In Victoria, £2,803,740; New South Wales, about £2,200,000; South Australia, £476,222; Western Australia, £354,312. In regard to the relative cost of constructing the lines in the different colonies, it should be borne in mind that a much larger proportion of double lines exists in Victoria than in any other colony.

† Including the traffic of 17 miles in Victoria and 7½ miles in Tasmania worked by Government for a shire council and a private company respectively.

‡ In South Australia £422,496 of the amount shown was derived from the line to Broken Hill, N.S.W.

§ The calculations in this column are based on the average capital cost, as follow:—Victoria, £38,783,808; New South Wales, £37,855,839; Queensland, £18,353,247; South Australia (Proper), £12,825,233; Northern Territory (S.A.), £1,155,418; Western Australia, £5,737,316; Tasmania, £3,594,631 (cost of average miles worked); New Zealand, £16,198,990.

|| Exclusive of Cossack to Roebourne Tramway, 8 miles long, constructed at a cost of £23,352; its gross earnings in 1897-8 were £2,748, and working expenses £2,623, resulting in a net profit (without allowing for interest on capital) of £125. In 1898-9 expenditure exceeded receipts by £481.

¶ The number of passenger journeys have been carefully computed for all the colonies on the following uniform basis:—There has been allowed 720 journeys for each yearly, 360 for each half-yearly, 180 for each quarterly, 60 for each monthly, 2 for each return, and 1 for each single ticket issued to adults and youths; and one-half of those numbers respectively for tickets issued to boys and girls. No allowance has been made for free passes issued; whilst the figures for South Australia are also exclusive of journeys on yearly and half-yearly *contract* tickets available for all lines. The numbers given differ in many cases from those returned by the various colonies, which are not compiled in a uniform manner. In comparing the railway traffic in Victoria and New South Wales the large metropolitan tramway traffic, as well as the steam-boat traffic in the latter colony, must also be taken into account; and it must also be borne in mind that in New South Wales the trams, being under State control, run only to districts and places not served by railways, and do not, therefore, enter into competition with the latter; whereas in Victoria the metropolitan trams, belonging as they do to a private company, enter into competition with the State railways in nearly all directions.

¹ Inclusive of 19½ miles closed to traffic, but exclusive of 16½ miles dismantled, the capital cost of which is still included.

² Including annual instalment of £75,000 towards the redemption of a loan of £1,000,000 for the reconstruction and improvement of rolling-stock and permanent way.

³ Chiefly Wharfage and Jetty dues.

⁴ Each consignment of goods is reckoned as a unit.

⁵ Exclusive of live stock.

⁶ Exclusive of 1,264,353 miles ballasting and shunting. It is probable, however, that this item is also excluded in the other colonies.

ADDENDUM.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS, 1899-1900.

Name of Colony.		Length Open.	Capital Cost of Lines Open at end of Year.	Gross Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Net Receipts.	Percentage of Net Revenue to Mean Capital Cost.
		Miles.	£	£	£	£	
Victoria	..	3,202	39,496,247	3,025,162	1,807,301*	1,217,861*	3.10
New South Wales	..	2,811	38,477,269	3,163,572	1,769,520†	1,394,052	3.65
Queensland	..	2,801	19,320,902	1,464,399	948,691	515,708	2.71
South Australia, Proper	..	1,736	13,014,428	1,166,987	657,841	509,146	3.93
,,	Northern Territory	..	146	1,155,267	14,799	24,340	-9,541‡
Western Australia	..	1,355	6,856,363	1,259,512	861,470	398,042‡	5.99
New Zealand	..	2,104	16,703,887	1,623,891	1,052,358	571,533	3.45

* Including amounts for Dookie and Katamatite Tramway (17 miles—not included in length open). The Working Expenses included the charge for pensions, &c.

† Including the annual instalment of £75,000 referred to in Note 2 of the foregoing table.

‡ The minus sign (—) indicates excess of expenses over receipts.

TABLE XXVI.—PRIVATE RAILWAYS, 1899.

Colony.	Miles Open.		Capital Cost.	Revenue Account.				Train Mileage.	Rolling-stock.			
	At end of Year.	Average.		Gross Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Net Receipts.			Locomotives Working.	Vehicles of all Kinds.		
						Amount.	Percentage of Mean Capital Cost.					
New South Wales ...	84*	84	578,760	164,205†	55,758†	108,447†	18.98	219,646	19	735		
South Australia Proper ...	20	20	160,497	24,066	12,913	11,153	6.95	140,421	11	39		
Western Australia ...	495	495	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**		
Tasmania ...	102	100	622,899	65,390	34,732	30,658	5.96	126,785	13	160		
New Zealand ...	167	167	1,522,751‡	116,294‡	63,440‡	52,854‡	3.44	(?)	30§	600§		
Grand Total ...	868	866	2,884,907||	369,955||	166,843||	203,112||	7.33||	486,852¶	73||	1,534||		

NOTE.—There were no private railways in Victoria or Queensland.

* Exclusive of about 200 miles of coal lines.

† Exclusive of the amounts for two short lines less than 4 miles in length.

‡ Exclusive of the amounts for the Kaitangata Company's line, 4 miles in length.

§ Approximate.

|| Exclusive of Western Australia.

¶ Exclusive of Western Australia and New Zealand.

** No information available

TABLE XXVII.—TRAMWAYS, 1898-9.

(So far as official information is available.)

Colony.	Miles Open.					Capital Cost.	Revenue Account.				
	Cable.	Steam.	Electric.	Horse.	Total.		Gross Receipts.	Working Expenses.	Net Receipts.		
									Amount.	Percentage of Mean Capital Cost.	
<i>Government Lines.</i>											
New South Wales ...	4	54	8	...	66	1,516,343	348,556	288,022	60,534	4.04	
Western Australia ...	...	...	...	8	8	23,352	2,545	3,026	-481*	-2.13*
Total ...	4	54	8	8	74	1,539,695	351,101	291,048	60,053	3.95	
<i>Private Lines.</i>											
Victoria ...	44	...	...	4	48	1,705,794	382,008	...	...	...
New South Wales ...	...	7	...	...	7	(?)	(?)	...	...	...
Queensland ...	...	...	22	...	22†	(?)	(?)	...	...	...
Tasmania ...	...	2	9	...	{ 9	90,000	13,450‡	...	...	...
					{ 2	3,212	(?)	...	...	...
Total ...	44	9	31	4	88	(?)	(?)	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	48	63	39	12	162	(?)	(?)	...	...	...

NOTE.—Besides the above there are known to be tramway companies as follow:—Adelaide and Suburban, Adelaide and Hyde Park, Adelaide and Hindmarsh, Adelaide and Mitcham, and The Parkside Companies in South Australia; Perth electric tramways in Western Australia; and Mornington, New Brighton, and Dunedin City and Suburban Companies in New Zealand. In New South Wales, the estimated number of passengers carried on Government lines was 51,705,453, and in Victoria, on private lines, 36,245,280 passengers. The Victorian tramways were constructed by a Municipal Trust, but are leased to a company for a term of years, after which the lines revert to the Trust.

* The minus sign (-) indicates net expenditure.

† Embracing 36 miles of track.

‡ Figures for 1899. In the same year, the working expenses were £10,153, and the net receipts £3,297, or 3.66 per cent. of the capital cost.

TABLE XXVIII.—POSTAL RETURNS, 1899.

Colony.	Number of Post Offices on 31st December.	Letters and Post Cards Despatched and Received. (000's Omitted.)				Newspapers Despatched and Received. (000's Omitted.)				Packets and Parcels Despatched and Received. (000's Omitted.)				Per Head of Population.		
		Inland.	Inter-colonial.	Inter-national.	Total.	Inland.	Inter-colonial.	Inter-national.	Total.	Inland.	Inter-colonial.	Inter-national.	Total.	Letters and Post Cards.	Newspapers.	Parcels.
Victoria	1,593 ²	61,408, ¹	9,340,	2,407,	73,155,	12,059, ¹	7,664,	3,891,	23,614,	7,848, ¹	1,885,	1,225,	10,958,	64	20	9
New South Wales	1,626	62,048,	11,004,	3,675,	76,727,	37,281,	7,472,	2,053,	46,806,	12,459,	1,324,	859,	14,642,	57	35	11
Queensland	425	15,848,	5,333, ³	... ⁴	21,181,	7,764,	3,870, ³	... ⁴	11,634,	4,345,	1,703, ³	... ⁴	6,048,	45	24	13
South Australia	692	15,434,	3,747,	584,	19,765,	6,450,	1,711,	776,	8,937,	568,	845,	118,	1,531,	54	24	4
Western Australia	173	8,205,	3,592,	1,176,	12,973,	1,480,	3,719,	1,088,	6,287,	1,685,	909,	322,	2,916,	77	37	17
Tasmania	355	5,824,	4,213, ³	... ⁴	10,037,	3,933,	2,360, ³	... ⁴	6,293,	1,145,	666, ³	... ⁴	1,811,	56	35	10
New Zealand	1,620	35,862,	2,018,	2,257,	40,137,	10,084,	1,965,	3,668,	15,717,	15,987,	394,	1,502,	17,883,	54	21	24
Total	6,484	204,629	49,346,	253,975,	79,051,	40,237,	119,288,	44,037,	111,752,	55,789,	57	27	13			

NOTE.—The numbers given for letters, newspapers, and parcels represent those posted in the colony (counted once), added to those received from abroad.

¹ Overstated, being inclusive of newspapers and packets and Intercolonial and International letters posted at suburban and country Post Offices.

² Exclusive of receiving offices, of which there were 17 in Victoria, 526 in New South Wales, and 814 in Queensland; there were also 21 travelling offices and 952 letter-boxes in Victoria.

³ Including International. In Queensland the number of International correspondence received was as follows:—Letters, 3,380,140; Newspapers, 2,559,091; packets, 1,178,997.

⁴ Included with Intercolonial.

TABLE XXIX.—TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Telegraphs.										Telephones and Private Wires.		
	Miles open on 31st December (exclusive of Telephones).*			Number of Telegrams.							Number of Public Exchanges.	Miles of Wire.	Number of Connexions at end of the Year.
	Postal Department.		Railway Department.		Cable.	Telegraph Stations at end of Year.	Inland (Counted once).	Intercolonial Received & Despatched.	Cablegrams Received & Despatched.	Total.			
	Line.	Wire.	Line.	Wire.									
Victoria ...	3,940	9,606	2,807	5,519	...	805	1,491,965	786,195	42,138	2,320,298	14	13,591 ¹	4,407
New South Wales	13,663	38,718	2,691 ⁷	5,000 ⁷	...	945	1,922,640	972,261	54,806	2,949,707 ²	38 ³	... ⁴	10,119
Queensland ...	10,202	18,968	...	...	45	456	1,203,864	108,107	8,080	1,410,051	11	3,108	2,036
South Australia	5,485	11,224	206	2,372	37	280	519,542	423,307	28,883	971,732 ⁵	10	3,305	1,320
Western Australia	5,941	8,749	...	...	...	155	803,507	298,943	34,063	1,136,513	10	2,869	2,115 ⁶
Total ...	39,231	87,265	5,704	12,891	82	2,641	5,941,518	2,678,813	167,970	8,788,301	83	22,873	19,997
Tasmania ...	2,000	3,252	404	692	428	275	250,958	128,190	1,518	380,666	5	815	1,010
New Zealand † ...	6,910	19,228	507 ⁷	977 ⁷	279	915	3,469,631	49,722	10,335	3,529,688	40	6,343	7,150
Grand Total	48,141	109,745	6,615	14,560	789	3,831	9,662,107	2,856,725	179,823	12,698,655	128	30,031	28,157

NOTE.—The telegrams refer to those transmitted and received (each telegram being counted only once).

* Telephone wire is included in the case of New South Wales.

† Figures in this case are for the year ended 31st March, 1900.

¹ Excluding 1,389 miles of wire used solely for railway purposes.

² Including messages *in transitu*, 162,356.

³ In addition there were 34 bureaux for the use of the public.

⁴ Included with telegraph wire.

⁵ Including messages *in transitu*, 146,910; but excluding about 100,000 International cablegrams transmitted on behalf of other colonies.

⁶ Including 318 connexions at Government Departments.

⁷ Figures for 1898, later particulars not being to hand.

TABLE XXX.—MONEY ORDERS, 1899.

Colony.	Money Orders.					Postal Notes Issued.		
	Number.		Amount.			Number.	Amount.	£
	Issued.	Paid.	Issued.	Paid.	£			
Victoria ...	223,335	280,139	681,962	943,672	1,241,400	489,235		
New South Wales ...	421,085	418,855	1,436,927	1,466,602	1,251,302	449,848		
Queensland ...	143,253	91,760	518,140	370,672	273,868	105,981		
South Australia ...	87,256	79,853	246,476	277,110	273,061	90,400		
Western Australia ...	173,532	86,438	655,812	312,239	47,247	12,691		
Tasmania ...	130,554	233,203	265,968	330,094	56,114	16,884		
New Zealand ...	344,664	244,917	1,118,808	948,013	461,447	147,686		
Total ...	1,523,679	1,435,165	4,924,093	4,648,402	3,604,439	1,312,725		

TABLE XXXI.—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF GOVERNMENT POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENTS, 1899.

Heads of Revenue and Expenditure.	Revenue.							
	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.	Total Australasia.
REVENUE.								
Postage, &c.—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ordinary	385,358	491,833	165,407	123,181	80,769	74,121	305,705	1,626,374
O.H.M.S.	(*25,000)	31,535	+27,000	5,908	10,507	(*20,071)†	(*76,195)	74,950
Money Orders and Postal Notes	19,782	26,826	8,319	5,620	10,616	3,934	19,596	94,693
Telegrams—								
Ordinary	102,591	143,426	85,500	112,774	81,365	17,932	119,642	663,230
O.H.M.S.	(*5,397)	+13,892	(*13,989)	3,361	6,832	(*5,494)	(*29,432)	24,085
Telephones and Private Wires—								
Ordinary	46,601	60,429	12,574	16,136	18,955	4,284	43,303	212,385
O.H.M.S.	1,318	+5,000	...	2,035	+1,750	(*1,170)		
Total	555,650	772,941	298,800	269,015	210,794	100,271	488,246	2,695,717
Total, inclusive of Free O.H.M.S. letters, &c.	586,047	772,941	312,789	269,015	210,794	127,006	593,873	2,872,465
Expenditure.†								
WORKING EXPENSES AND MAINTENANCE.								
Salaries and Allowances to Officers...	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Conveyance of Mails by—	319,139	400,518	160,030	119,996	158,505	38,663	231,552	1,428,403
(a) Contract Packets	31,245	42,396	31,085	11,448	10,871			
(b) Non-Contract Vessels	4,775	7,097	4,103	1,656	679			
(c) Railway	57,396	70,260	45,000	17,233		27,302	37,563	698,268
(d) Road	35,988	90,928	52,560	22,158	40,018		13,425	
Cable Subsidies and Guarantees	11,399	19,011	2,701	4,976	1,514	2,027	1,608	43,236
Printing, Stamps, Books, Forms, &c.	6,091	11,582		4,939	1,383	...		
Clothing, Stores, Fuel, Light, and Water	12,572	6,104	5,394	6,618	3,642	...		
Rates Paid to Municipalities, &c.	...	2,552	...	...	...	...
Rent §	...	...	1,673	551	542	...		
Maintenance of Buildings, Furniture, &c.	3,565	2,415	9,725	1,491	...		163,218	317,628
Maintenance of Telegraph and Telephone Lines, Instruments, and Receiving Pillars	2,052		20,885	7,756	9,530		5,446	
Other (if any)	16,534	{ 89,027	12,729	10,009	4,016	4,657		
- 9,070†								
Total	491,686	741,890	345,885	208,831	230,700	78,095	390,448	2,487,535

* Estimated value—not counted as revenue. In the case of Telegrams O.H.M.S. in Queensland, it is stated that if work done for the meteorological service, free shipping, savings bank, &c., were also taken into account, the amount would be increased from £13,989 to £60,000.

† Approximate.

‡ Including expenditure by other Government Departments on account of Postal Department.

§ The item "rent" has evidently not been taken into account in most of the colonies.

|| Including £18,865 for maintenance of telegraph lines.

¶ Debit for capital expenditure on account of telephones included chiefly under the head of salaries and wages.

TABLE XXXII.—REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF STATE POST AND TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENTS IN AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA.—SUMMARY FOR SIX YEARS.

Colony.	Revenue earned (i.e., inclusive of Unpaid O.H.M.S. Letters, &c.)						Working Expenses.					
	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
Victoria ...	£ 553,974	£ 536,346	£ 543,660	£ 560,299	£ 561,788	£ 586,047	£ 582,523	£ 531,259	£ 503,581	£ 494,257	£ 498,192	£ 491,686
N. S. Wales ...	600,665	633,374	695,626	697,676	742,794	772,941	784,180	778,680	755,332	722,793	721,734	741,890
Queensland ...	224,699	243,412	249,613	257,592	279,830	312,789	296,251	295,065	300,479	312,276	313,771	345,885
South Australia ...	207,874	228,012	259,980	257,695	248,614	269,015	190,643	194,849	197,766	204,174	208,107	208,831
West Australia ...	60,946	112,434	186,586	221,572	215,725	210,794	77,459	118,298	222,421	261,328	267,108	230,700
Total Australia ...	1,648,158	1,753,578	1,935,465	1,994,834	2,048,751	2,151,586	1,931,056	1,918,151	1,979,579	1,994,828	2,008,912	2,018,992
Tasmania ...	75,594	77,256	94,433	98,456	115,698	127,006	71,767	62,421	61,689	65,268	73,248	78,095
Total Six Colonies ...	1,723,752	1,830,834	2,029,898	2,093,290	2,164,449	2,278,592	2,002,823	1,980,572	2,041,268	2,060,096	2,082,160	2,097,087

TABLE XXXIII.—CROWN LANDS ALIENATED AND IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Area of Colony in Acres.†	During the Year 1899.					
		Sold by Auction, Private Contract, &c.			Selected under System of Deferred Payments.‡	Granted without Purchase.	Total Extent Wholly or Conditionally Alienated.
		Area.	Amount of Purchase Money.	Average Price per Acre.			
Victoria ...	56,245,760	acres. 6,411	£ 39,173	£ 6 s. 2	acres. 67,942	acres. 117	acres. 74,470
New South Wales ...	197,872,000	41,901	104,932	2 10 1	303,113	50	345,064
Queensland ...	427,663,360	10,639	22,867	2 3 0	534,054	188	544,881
South Australia Proper ...	243,075,200	37,664	42,491	1 2 7	... ¹	163	37,827
Do. Northern Territory	335,116,800	1	20	20 0 0	...	...	1
Western Australia ...	624,588,800	29,728	35,171	1 3 8	229,892	1,326	260,946
Total	1,884,561,920	126,344	244,654	1 18 9	1,135,001	1,844	1,263,189
Tasmania	16,880,000	32,890	68,391	2 1 7	...	...	32,890
New Zealand ²	66,861,464	23,941	21,057	0 17 7	... ¹	703,799	727,740
Grand Total ...	1,968,303,384	183,175	334,102	1 16 6	1,135,001	705,643	2,023,819

Name of Colony.	At the End of 1899.			
	Alienated in Fee simple.§		Under Licence or Lease.	
	Sold.	Granted without Purchase.	In Process of Alienation under System of Deferred Payments.||	Perpetual Leases.
Victoria ...	acres. 19,116,000	acres. 78,794	acres. 4,053,769	acres. 246,110
New South Wales ...	24,716,955	406,568	21,733,054	...
Queensland ...	13,094,386	70,381	2,476,875	...
South Australia Proper ...	8,055,069	121,406	680,470	4,877,172
Do. Northern Territory	473,146	* 48	...	...
Western Australia ...	6,275,293		2,988,321	...
Total	71,730,849	677,197	31,932,489	5,123,282
Tasmania	4,801,266	*	*	...
New Zealand ²	14,785,244	8,527,013 ²	208,739	1,531,730 ³
Grand Total ...	91,317,359	9,204,210	32,141,228	6,655,012
				692,117,473
				1,136,868,102

* Probably included with area "Sold."

† These areas do not exactly agree with those officially furnished in some cases. See footnote (*) to Table I, *ante*.‡ The purchase money for selected land varies in the different colonies from 10s. to 30s. per acre, payable by annual instalments (generally without interest) extending over a period of 10 to 40 years. For particulars of the terms and conditions under which such land is acquired, see *Victorian Year-Book*, under the head of "Production."

§ Including only that of which the purchase has been completed. In New South Wales, the extent sold includes areas granted prior to 1862.

|| Exclusive of the extent estimated to have been forfeited for non-fulfilment of conditions, &c., except in the case of Western Australia.

1 The system has been discarded in South Australia and New Zealand.

2 These figures relate partly to lands in respect to which Crown Grants have been issued either to the original Maori possessors or to Europeans or Maoris who have purchased from them under certain Native Land Acts. Lands reserved for various public purposes are also included, which is not the case in other colonies.

3 Consisting of 353,651 under perpetual lease and 1,178,079 under leases in perpetuity.

4 Of this extent, about 14,000,000 acres belong to the Maoris or to Europeans who have purchased from them. The area of land purchased by the Government from the Maoris up to 31st March, 1897, was 6,741,594 acres, besides 1,606,156 acres of which the purchase was not completed, for which £1,789,834 (including £1,307,554 raised by loan) was paid as purchase money and expenses.

TABLE XXXIV.—STATE PRIMARY EDUCATION, 1899.

Name of Colony.	At the End of 1899.			Gross Enrolment of Scholars during 1899.			Scholars in Average Daily Attendance during the Year.		
	Number of State Schools.	Number of Teachers.		Males.	Females.	Total.	Total Number.	Number to each Teacher.	Percentage of Scholars on the Rolls.
		Males.	Females.						
Victoria ...	1,892	1,860	2,948	4,808	123,143	116,589	239,732	143,844	30 60.00
New South Wales ...	2,693	2,609	2,275	4,884	142,200 ¹	122,837 ¹	265,037	149,439	31 56.38
Queensland ...	884	928	1,033	1,961	53,855	49,689	103,544	63,133	32 60.97
South Australia ...	677	411	872	1,283	35,730 ¹	32,599 ¹	68,329	42,228	33 61.80
Western Australia ...	205	180	293	473	8,620	7,433	16,053	12,465	26 77.65
Total ...	6,351	5,988	7,421	13,409	363,548	329,147	692,695	411,109	31 59.35
Tasmania ...	309	219	366	585	12,397	10,875	23,272	13,105	22 56.31
New Zealand ...	1,645	1,451	2,164	3,615 ²	89,979 ¹	82,343 ¹	172,322	108,405	30 62.91
Grand Total ...	8,305	7,658	9,951	17,609	465,924	422,365	888,289	532,619	30 59.95

Name of Colony.	Estimated Number of Distinct Children Attending during the Year.	Expenditure on State Education.									
		Cost of Instruction and Administration.						Rent.	Construction and Maintenance of Buildings.		
		Contributed by—		Total.*	Per Head of Mean Population.	Per head of Scholars in Average Attendance.	£				
		State. [†]	Parents, &c., in Fees.								
Victoria ...	214,522	633,913	5,675 ³	639,588	0 11 0	4 8 11	2,548	22,337	6,025		
New South Wales ...	233,233	567,796	78,358	646,154	0 9 7	4 6 6	1,294	69,235	20,397		
Queensland ...	92,120	220,510	...	220,510	0 9 3	3 9 10	... ⁴	28,390	...		
South Australia ...	62,316	139,682	1,307	140,989	0 7 8	3 6 9	11,777	6,313	9,998		
Western Australia ...	15,689	59,861	2,088	61,949	0 7 4	4 19 5	79	13,064	...		
Total ...	617,880	1,621,762	87,428	1,709,190	0 9 9	4 3 2	15,698	139,339	36,420		
Tasmania ...	17,682	39,749	10,948	50,697	0 5 8	3 17 4	327	1,230	2,420		
New Zealand [‡] ...	150,000 ⁵	408,509	...	408,509	0 10 11	3 15 4	...	56,749	...		
Grand Total ...	785,562	2,070,020	98,376	2,168,396	0 9 9	4 1 5	16,026	197,318	38,840		

NOTE.—The State system of education is now compulsory and undenominational (or secular) in all the colonies. Public instruction is free in Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, and New Zealand; but fees are charged in the other colonies, although they are partially or entirely remitted in cases where the parents are unable to pay them. The prescribed school age differs in the various colonies—In Victoria it is from 6 to 13 years; in New South Wales and Western Australia, from 6 to 14; in Queensland, from 6 to 12; in South Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand, from 7 to 13.

* The figures under this head represent the cost of State (Primary) Education, including expenditure on Head Office, staff, and inspection.

† Portions of the amounts in this column are derived from Education Reserves, &c., viz., £5,966 in South Australia, and £40,804 in New Zealand.

‡ Exclusive of Maori schools having an enrolment on the 31st December, 1899, of 3,133 scholars (1,755 boys and 1,378 girls). The expenditure on buildings during the year was £5,488. In New Zealand there are also 25 endowed (secondary) schools with 145 teachers and a daily attendance of 2,544 scholars.

¹ These figures have been estimated in the office of the Government Statist, Melbourne.

² Exclusive of 191 sewing mistresses.

³ For extra subjects.

⁴ Included with construction and maintenance from revenue.

⁵ Estimated.

TABLE XXXV.—PRIVATE SCHOOLS, 1899.

Colony.	Number of Schools.	Teachers.			Gross Enrolment of Scholars.			Amount of Contributions by State.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
Victoria ...	901	415	2,002	2,417	24,434	27,884	52,318	£
New South Wales ...	1,053	607	2,800	3,407	26,492	33,667	60,159	...
Queensland ...	176	129	517	646	6,041	8,125	14,166	10,000
South Australia ...	241	226	515	741	5,530	6,097	11,627	...
Western Australia [*] ...	83	35	246	281	2,356	3,456	5,812	...
Total ...	2,454	1,412	6,080	7,492	64,853	79,229	144,082	11,500
Tasmania ...	241	†	†	†	4,148	4,633	8,781	...
New Zealand ...	307	115	688	803	6,219	9,076	15,295	...
Grand Total ...	3,002	...	...	...	75,220	92,938	168,158	11,500

* Figures for 1898.—† Information not collected.

TABLE XXXVI.—AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, 1899-1900.—LAND IN CULTIVATION.

Name of Colony.	Total Area.				Number of Acres under—											
	Under Crops.		Under Cultivation.		Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Other Cereals.*	Potatoes.	Hay.	Vines.	Artificial Grasses.	Green Forage.	Land in Fallow.	Other Tillage.
	Acres.	Per Head of Population.	Acres.	Per Head of Population.												
Victoria ..	3,159,157	2.72	3,820,505	3.28	2,165,693	271,28c	79,573	11,037	13,293	55,469	450,189	27,550	151,949	18,574	509,244	66,654
New South Wales ..	2,440,968	1.80	2,818,491	2.08	1,426,166	29,125	71,154	214,697	5,613	34,958	554,048	8,278	378,852	75,518	..	84,072
Queensland ..	420,746	.87	474,849	.98	52,527	714	7,474	110,489	517	10,766	58,939	2,003	19,204	35,514	34,899	141,803
South Australia ..	2,338,240	6.04	3,081,846	8.31	1,821,137	20,229	15,767	..	3,842	8,406	311,440	19,438	21,593	12,460	822,013	25,521
Western Australia ..	186,367	1.09	237,744	1.39	84,462	3,940	3,885	133	921	2,837	78,893	3,245	2,289	708	49,088	7,343
Total ..	8,445,478	2.38	10,433,435	2.94	5,549,985	325,288	113,853	336,356	24,186	112,446	1,453,509	60,514	573,887	142,774	1,415,244	325,393
Tasmania ..	225,126	1.23	543,568	2.98	64,328	45,110	7,605	..	13,963	26,951	42,492	..	288,777	3,091	29,665	21,585
New Zealand ..	11,732,302	2.29	1,811,053	2.39	269,749	398,243	48,003	17,429	12,261	36,984	68,234	445	†	608,914†	78,751	272,040
Grand Total ..	10,402,906	2.32	12,788,056	2.85	5,884,062	768,641	169,462	353,785	50,410	176,381	1,564,235	60,959	862,664	754,779	1,523,660	619,018

NOTE.—Land in fallow is not included in New South Wales; and land under permanent artificial grasses is not included in New Zealand. See also Note †.

* Chiefly beans and peas.

† In the figures for New Zealand, the land under permanent artificial grass, amounting to 10,690,807 acres—of which about one-half had been, and the other half had not been, previously ploughed—is not entered as green forage, nor is it included in the total area under tillage, as in the majority of the other colonies. Were the whole so placed, it would bring the land under tillage up to 12,423,109 acres, or to 16.42 acres per head of the population. In Victoria, in like manner, there are large tracts of land under permanent artificial grasses, which are not included; it is only returned for holdings on which other cultivation also exists.

MISCELLANEOUS CROPS (INCLUDED IN "OTHER TILLAGE").

a.—Area in Acres.

Name of Colony.	Root Crops.				Tobacco.	Hops.	Sugar Cane.		Oranges.		Grass Seeds.	Market Gardens.	Other Gardens and Orchards.
	Turnips.	Mangel-wurzel.	Beet, Carrots, and Parsnips.	Onions.			Total.	Productive.	Total.	Productive.			
Victoria ..	..²	788	584	4,436	155	712	...	...	583 ¹	...	2,283	9,598	44,975
New South Wales ..	459	92	...	448	546	...	22,517	9,435	14,533	10,928	..	7,748	31,716
Queensland ..	78	35	4	51	745	...	110,657	79,435	2,324	?	24	..	3,761
South Australia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,496 ¹	?	..	..	24,001
Western Australia ..	..	..	..	137	..	..	..	..	526	161	..	1,570	4,465
Tasmania ..	3,350 ²	1,244	152	115	..	651	..	..	..	..	1,841	..	13,172
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	..	994	..	..	..	..	94,261	3,398	37,448

b.—Produce.

	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	cwt.	cwt.	tons of Sugar.	cwt. ³	bushels.	Bees.	
										Honey. lbs.	Wax. lbs.
Victoria ..	..	9,597	4,710	19,905	1,365	2,884	..	10,658	28,022	613,455	11,704
New South Wales ..	2,382	676	..	1,950	6,641	..	12,445 ⁴	164,278	..	2,795,141	55,988
Queensland ..	1,004	582	143	2,964	6,551	..	123,289	36,246	310	852,586	22,621
South Australia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,211	..	523,981	?
Western Australia ..	..	..	..	349	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tasmania ..	..	29,052	16,735	1,793	632	..	5,266	..	..	28,735	..
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	..	?	..	..	1,444,529	..	..

¹ Figures for 1897-8 and estimated from the number of trees, which alone were returned, assuming 75 orange trees to the acre.

² In Victoria turnips are included with beet, &c. In New Zealand the area under that crop was 415,462 acres, which was included with green forage.

³ Produce originally returned in cases in New South Wales and South Australia, and in dozens in Queensland, which have been converted into cwt. on the assumption that a case weighs 40 lbs. and contains 14 dozen oranges.

⁴ Produce estimated; the quantity of cane crushed was 170,509 tons.

[For continuation of notes, see next page.]

MISCELLANEOUS CROPS—continued.

Crops peculiar to individual colonies—			New South Wales—		Area (acres).		Produce.
Victoria—		Area (acres).	Pumpkins and melons	..	4,635	..	14,390 tons
Sugar beet ..	..	III { Unde- fined roots. } 1,257 tons					
Flax ..	..	{ Fibre 85 cwt. Seed 604 "					
Fruit gathered for sale—							
Apples ..	..	217,128 cwt.					
Pears ..	..	39,571 "					
Quinces ..	..	19,383 "					
Plums ..	..	51,019 "					
Cherries ..	..	25,042 "					
Peaches ..	..	81,395 "					
Apricots ..	..	70,022 "					
Lemons ..	..	12,433 "					
Figs ..	..	6,589 "					
Raspberries ..	..	12,831 "					
Strawberries ..	..	3,109 "					
Gooseberries ..	..	7,832 "					
Olives ..	..	710 "					
Currants (white, red, black)	..	1,078 "					
Melons ..	..	16,149 "					
Rhubarb ..	..	95,831 doz. bundles					
Tomatoes ..	..	17,360 cwt.					
Almonds ..	..	90,025 lbs.					
Walnuts ..	..	10,432 "					
Dried Fruit produced—							
Apples ..	..	11,876 lbs.					
Prunes ..	..	12,595 "					
Peaches ..	..	133,680 "					
Apricots ..	..	290,224 "					
Figs ..	..	101,948 "					
Raisins ..	..	17,847 cwt.					
Currants ..	..	3,315 "					
Queensland—							
Arrowroot ..	..	..	431	tubers	4,669 tons		
Coffee ..	..	..	495	..	104,981 lbs.		
Sweet potatoes ..	..	..	3,919	..	19,899 tons		
Fruit—							
Bananas ..	..	..	5,802	..	36,301,735 dozen		
Pineapples ..	..	..	994	..	401,692 "		
South Australia—							
Almond trees, No. 138,255 ..	..	..	..	..	2,652 cwt.		
Olive ..	..	61,577 ..	..	..	oil 4,805 gallons		
Lemon ..	..	63,838 ..	..	..	13,975 cases		
Raisins ..	..	..	..	..	5,398 cwt.		
Currants (Dried) ..	..	..	..	..	3,047 "		
Western Australia—							
Other root crops ..	..	..	157	..	1,000 tons		
Tasmania—							
Flax ..	..	..	32	..	18,400 lbs.		
Fruit—							
Apples ..	..	..	7,760	..	643,209 bushels		
Pears ..	..	..	1,082	..	34,629 "		
New Zealand—							
Linseed ..	..	..	629	..	125,326 lbs.		

TABLE XXXVII.—AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, 1899-1900.—PRODUCE OF CROPS.

Name of Colony.	Bushels raised of—					Tons raised of—		Gallons of Wine made.
	Wheat.*	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Other Cereals.†	Potatoes.	Hay.	
Victoria ...	15,237,948	6,116,046	1,466,088	624,844	178,310	173,381	596,193	933,282
New South Wales ...	13,604,166	627,904	132,476	5,976,022	89,374	81,337	546,850	739,668
Queensland ...	614,414	10,712	118,443	1,965,598	11,666	22,675	103,409	131,045
South Australia ...	8,453,135	218,331	188,917	...	52,883	19,716	229,800	954,367
Western Australia ...	966,601	73,556	56,587	2,263	9,490	8,373	70,078	86,802
Total ...	38,876,264	7,046,549	1,962,511	8,568,727	341,723	305,482	1,546,330	2,845,164
Tasmania ...	1,101,303	1,148,160	142,721	...	234,411	101,670	51,123	...
New Zealand ...	8,581,898	16,325,832	1,585,145	669,896	408,792	222,124	136,468‡	...
Grand Total ...	48,559,465	24,520,541	3,690,377	9,238,623	984,926	629,276	1,733,921	2,845,164

Name of Colony.	Bushels per Acre of—					Tons per Acre of—		
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.	Other Cereals.	Potatoes.	Hay.	
Victoria ...	7.04	22.55	18.42	56.61	13.41	3.13	1.32	
New South Wales ...	9.54	21.56	18.52	27.83	15.92	2.33	.99	
Queensland ...	11.70	15.00	15.85	17.79	22.56	2.11	1.76	
South Australia ...	4.64	10.79	11.98	...	13.76	2.35	.74	
Western Australia ...	11.44	18.67	14.57	17.02	10.30	2.95	.89	
Total ...	7.00	21.66	17.24	25.48	14.13	2.72	1.06	
Tasmania ...	17.12	25.45	18.76	...	16.79	3.77	1.20	
New Zealand ...	31.81	40.99	33.02	38.44	33.34	6.01	2.00	
Grand Total ...	8.25	31.90	21.78	26.11	19.54	3.57	1.11	

* In 1900-1 the estimated wheat crop was 17,195,000 bushels for New South Wales.

† Chiefly peas and beans.

‡ Estimated.

TABLE XXXVIII.—LIVE STOCK, 1899-1900.

* ** The Live Stock Statistics are collected in most of the colonies simultaneously with the Agricultural Statistics in the months of February and March.

Name of Colony.	Horses.	Number of—				Sheep.	Pigs.		
		Cattle.		Total all kinds.					
		Dairy Cows.							
Victoria ...	431,547*	465,469	1,899,752*	12,300,000			337,588*		
New South Wales ...	482,200	399,327	1,967,081	36,213,514			239,973		
Queensland ...	479,127	†	5,053,836	15,226,479			139,118		
South Australia Proper ...	168,695	83,527	275,794	5,667,283			82,901		
Do., Northern Territory	11,640	971	250,730	54,210			1,361		
Western Australia ...	65,920	21,828	297,075	2,282,306			55,953		
Tasmania ...	31,189	41,482	160,204	1,672,068			74,451		
New Zealand ...	261,931	343,556	1,210,439	19,347,346			249,751		
Total ...	1,932,249	...	11,114,911	92,763,206			1,181,096		

Name of Colony.	Per	Per 100	Per	Per	Per	Per 100	Per	Per	Per	Per	Per	Per 100	
	Square	Persons	Square	100	Square	Persons	Square	100	Square	100	Persons	Square	Persons
Mile.	Living.	Mile.	Persons	Mile.	Living.	Mile.	Persons	Mile.	Living.	Mile.	Living.	Mile.	Persons
Victoria ...	4.91	37	5.30	40	21.62	163	140	1,046	3.84	29			
New South Wales ...	1.56	36	1.29	29	6.36	145	117	2,669	.78	18			
Queensland ...	.72	99	?	?	7.56	1,048	23	3,156	.21	29			
South Australia Proper ...	.44	46	.22	23	.73	75	15	1,549	.22	23			
Do., Northern Territory	.02	235	...	20	.48	5,070	.10	1,096	...	28			
Western Australia ...	.07	39	.02	13	.30	174	.23	1,334	.06	33			
Tasmania ...	1.18	17	1.57	23	6.07	88	63	917	2.82	41			
New Zealand ...	2.51	35	3.29	45	11.59	160	185	2,558	2.39	33			
Total ...	.63	43	?	?	3.61	248	30	2,064	.38	26			

* Figures for 1895, except in the case of dairy cows, which have been returned, and sheep (for 1898-9) which have been roughly estimated.

† Dairy cows included in total.

TABLE XXXIX.—WOOL PRODUCTION, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Wool Imported.			Wool Exported.			Wool used in Manufacture in the Colony.			Wool Production, 1899.				
	Quantity.		Value.	Quantity.		Value.	Quantity.	Value at 9d. per lb.	Total.	Quantity.		Value.		
	Greasy.	Washed or Scoured.		Greasy.	Washed or Scoured.		Greasy.	Washed or Scoured.		Total.	Equivalent in Grease.*			
Victoria ...	56,135,128	6,932,007	2,351,059	107,851,385	14,026,219	5,701,410	2,867,884	143,394	61,678,353	68,772,565	3,493,745	£ s. d.	d. 10 ³	
New South Wales ...	28,148,703	6,535,997	1,589,044	183,330,022	56,689,472	11,738,627	1,041,748	52,087	206,375,542	231,451,779	10,201,650	7 11 8	41.27	9
Queensland ...	311,410	4,354	11,600	46,651,951	24,486,564	3,390,779	192,000	9,600	71,014,751	83,255,856	3,388,779	7 2 7	28.39	9
South Australia Proper	12,936,210	2,162,504	393,443	43,686,440	4,480,372	1,889,905	210,050	10,502	35,278,148	36,437,082	1,506,964	4 3 0	22.53	9
Do., Northern Territory	..	..	..	253,658	..	8,439	..	..	253,658	253,658	8,439	1 14 3	5.32	8
Western Australia	..	..	..	9,240,321	708,96	423,296	..	..	9,948,417	10,302,465	423,296	2 10 2	6.06	9 ¹ ₂
Total ...	95,531,451	15,635,862	4,345,146	391,013,777	100,390,723	23,152,436	4,311,682	215,583	384,548,869	430,473,405	19,022,873	5 8 2	31.08	10
Tasmania ...	51,332	..	692	8,635,472	..	357,757	638,000	31,900	9,222,140	9,222,140	388,965	2 3 4	13.88	10
New Zealand	4,869	5,237	45'	14,118,871	33,050,626	4,324,627	4,258,505	212,925	151,417,896	173,448,155	4,537,096	6 1 0	36.22	6 ¹ ₂
Grand Total	95,587,652	15,641,099	4,346,294	513,758,120	133,441,349	27,834,820	9,208,187	460,408	545,188,905	613,143,700	23,948,934	5 7 8	31.27	9 ¹ ₂

NOTE.—In 1900 the net export of wool was as follows:—Victoria, 39,677,978 lbs., valued at £2,289,341; New South Wales, 203,702,653 lbs., valued at £7,647,856; South Australia, 31,043,869 lbs., valued at £981,551; Western Australia, 9,094,743 lbs., valued at £270,718; Tasmania, 6,609,377 lbs., valued at £256,245.

* Estimated on the assumption that the actual loss on the washed and greasy wool as exported from the various colonies was as follows:—In Victoria and Tasmania, 50 per cent.; in New Zealand, 40 per cent.; and in the other colonies, 33¹₃ per cent. It is, of course, assumed that in many cases the wool is not scoured clean, fit for the manufacturer.

TABLE XL.—CHILLED OR FROZEN MEAT EXPORTED, 1899.

(Less Imports from other Colonies.)

Name of Colony.	Beef.			Mutton.	
	Quantity.		Value.	Quantity.	
	centals.	£	centals.	£	
Victoria ...	12,510	17,474	180,631	181,969	
New South Wales ...	45,221	34,498	459,542	290,264	
Queensland ...	738,408	810,640	36,433	37,265	
South Australia ...	...	...	26,166	36,848
Total ...	796,139	862,612	702,772	546,346	
New Zealand ...	193,026	197,009	1,744,332*	1,768,555	
Grand Total ...	989,165	1,059,621	2,447,104	2,314,901	

NOTE.—There were no exports from Tasmania or Western Australia. A cental is equal to 100 lbs.

* Of this, 27 per cent. was lamb.

TABLE XLI.—BREADSTUFFS IMPORTED AND EXPORTED, 1899

Name of Colony.	Wheat, Flour, and Biscuit.*		Excess of—	
	Imported.	Exported.	Imports over Exports.	Exports over Imports.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.
Victoria ...	242,053	10,904,064	...	10,662,011
New South Wales ...	3,412,932	1,298,334	2,114,599	...
Queensland ...	2,332,480	2,252	2,330,228	...
South Australia † ...	13,158	5,623,160	...	5,610,002
Western Australia ...	638,007	2,060	635,947	...
Total ...	6,638,630	17,829,870	...	11,191,240‡
Tasmania ...	399	413,110	...	412,711
New Zealand ...	7,721	2,992,318	...	2,984,597
Grand Total ...	6,646,750	21,235,298	...	14,588,548‡

NOTE.—In Victoria, during 1900, the quantity imported was 1,044,910 bushels (including 696 bushels in the form of bread and dough); whilst that exported was 8,056,089 bushels, thus resulting in a net export of 7,011,179 bushels. The net export of breadstuffs from New South Wales during 1900 was 3,529,900 bushels, from South Australia 6,270,103 bushels, and from Tasmania 141,229 bushels, but in Western Australia there was a net import of 584,440 bushels.

* Including bread and dough. For Victoria the quantities have been reduced to their equivalent in bushels of wheat, on the assumption that 40·449 lbs. of flour, 46 lbs. of biscuit, 53½ lbs. of bread, or 59 lbs. of dough are equivalent to 1 bushel of wheat. For the other colonies 40 lbs. of flour, biscuit, bread, or dough have been taken as the equivalent of 1 bushel of wheat.

† Exclusive of Northern Territory.

‡ Net figures.

TABLE XLII.—BUTTER AND CHEESE IMPORTED AND EXPORTED, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Butter.				Cheese.			
	Imported.	Exported.	Net Exports.*		Imported.	Exported.	Net Exports.*	
			Total.	To Countries outside Australasia.			Total.	To Countries outside Australasia.
<i>Quantity.</i>								
Victoria ...	lbs. 27,321	lbs. 36,254,269	lbs. 36,226,948	lbs. 30,532,025	lbs. 56,312	lbs. 694,586	lbs. 638,274	lbs. 194,986
New South Wales ...	3,437,942	7,987,664	4,549,722	7,822,974	2,770,876	316,616	-2,454,260	50,824
Queensland ...	26,480	1,159,255	1,132,775	754,684	69,332	11,358	-57,974	-2,363
South Australia Proper ...	522,616	1,867,157	1,344,541	902,998	128,574	150,032	21,458	490
Ditto, Northern Territory	13,827	...	-13,827	-1,385	4,883	...	-4,883	-351
Western Australia ...	4,425,820	6,372	-4,419,448	-5,170	929,480	516	-928,964	-16,695
Total ...	8,454,006	47,274,717	38,820,711	40,006,126	3,959,457	1,173,108	-2,786,349	226,891
Tasmania ...	642,074	44,052	-598,022	...	90,617	28	-90,589	..
New Zealand ...	6,720	15,241,632	15,234,912	13,734,112	2,352	7,777,280	7,774,928	4,668,496
Grand Total ...	9,102,800	62,560,401	53,457,601	53,740,238	4,052,426	8,950,416	4,897,990	4,895,387
<i>Value.</i>								
Victoria ...	£ 1,051	£ 1,404,830	£ 1,403,779	£ 1,164,812	£ 2,182	£ 15,717	£ 13,535	£ 5,507
New South Wales ...	136,805	347,262	210,457	340,869	56,293	6,990	-49,303	-506
Queensland ...	1,166	49,517	48,351	33,102	1,833	250	-1,583	-145
South Australia Proper ...	22,122	81,083	58,961	44,728	2,995	3,577	582	16
Ditto, Northern Territory	935	...	-935	-71	150	...	-150	-22
Western Australia ...	184,239	315	-183,924	-246	19,036	15	-19,021	-574
Total ...	346,318	1,883,007	1,536,689	1,583,194	82,489	26,549	-55,940	4,276
Tasmania ...	26,106	1,812	-24,294	...	1,725	1	-1,724	..
New Zealand ...	273	571,799	571,526	514,287	104	141,818	141,714	83,773
Grand Total ...	372,697	2,456,618	2,083,921	2,097,481	84,318	168,368	84,050	88,049

NOTE.—Net export of butter in 1900:—Victoria, 37,747,807 lbs.; New South Wales, 8,487,534 lbs.; South Australia, 939,301 lbs. Net import, Western Australia, 4,826,374 lbs.; Tasmania, 756,887 lbs.

* The minus sign (—) indicates a net import.

TABLE XLIII.—BUTTER, CHEESE, AND BACON AND HAM PRODUCED, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Produced in Factories only.				Bacon and Ham Cured in Factories and on Farms.			
	Butter.		Cheese.					
	Total.	Per Head of Population.	Total.	Per Head of Population.				
<i>Quantity.</i>								
Victoria ...	lbs. 45,878,459	lbs. 39.53	lbs. 2,373,178	lbs. 2.04	lbs. 10,886,314	lbs. 9.38		
New South Wales * ...	33,033,881	24.56	2,385,987	1.77	6,831,943	5.08		
Queensland ...	5,796,131	12.20	1,940,300	4.08	7,147,760	15.03		
Total ...	84,708,471	28.41	6,699,465	2.25	24,866,017	8.34		
Tasmania ...	462,951	2.58	113,343	.63	360,739	2.01		
New Zealand † ...	10,037,440	13.90	10,109,120	14.00	3,814,720	5.29		
Grand Total ...	95,208,862	24.52	16,921,928	4.36	29,041,476	7.48		

* Including the produce of farms using steam dairy appliances, which was not so included in Victoria.

† Figures for 1897, no later figures being available.

NOTE.—Particulars for South Australia are not available. In New Zealand, in 1891, the production of butter in factories and on farms was 16,310,012 lbs., of which 1,969,759 lbs. was produced in factories; and that of cheese was 6,975,698 lbs., of which 4,390,400 lbs. was made in factories. In addition to the quantities shown in the table, large quantities were also returned as having been made on farms in the following colonies:—

Name of Colony.	Made on Farms.		Total for Colony.	
	Butter.	Cheese.	Butter.	Cheese.
			lbs.	lbs.
Victoria ..	7,449,126	2,139,528	53,327,585	4,512,706
New South Wales ..	4,216,134a	1,009,993a	33,033,881	2,385,987
Queensland ..	2,666,464	..	8,462,595	1,940,300

a Excluding the produce of farms using steam dairy appliances, which was reckoned as having been made in factories.

TABLE XLIV.—GOLD PRODUCTION.

Name of Colony.	Prior to 1899.			During 1899.			Total.		
	Quantity.		Value.*	Quantity.		Value.*	Quantity.		Value.*
	Unrefined ozs.	Equivalent in fine ozs.		Unrefined ozs.	Equivalent in fine ozs.		Unrefined ozs.	Equivalent in fine ozs.	
Victoria ...	62,610,217	59,043,033	£250,440,868	854,500	805,815	£3,418,000	63,464,717	59,848,848	£253,858,868
New South Wales ...	12,350,326	10,777,061	45,712,701	496,196	413,002	£1,751,815	12,846,522	11,190,063	£47,464,516
Queensland ...	12,926,967	10,491,100	44,499,748	946,894	669,105	2,838,119	13,873,861	11,160,205	£47,337,867
South Australia †	597,805	518,937	2,201,157	23,122	18,634	79,041	620,927	537,571	2,280,198
Western Australia	2,804,134	2,512,152	10,655,713	1,643,877a	1,472,707	6,246,732	4,448,011	3,984,859	16,902,445
Total ...	91,289,449	83,342,283	353,510,187	3,964,589	3,379,263	£14,333,707	95,254,038	86,721,546	£367,843,894
Tasmania ...	1,040,760	940,108	3,987,626	83,992	75,086	327,545	1,124,752	1,015,194	4,315,171
New Zealand ...	13,845,527	12,837,719	54,453,325	389,558	356,740	1,513,173	14,235,285	13,194,459	55,966,498
Grand Total	106,175,936	97,120,110	411,951,138	4,438,139	3,811,089	£16,174,425	110,614,075	100,931,199	428,125,563

NOTE.—The figures for Victoria, New South Wales, and Queensland express the quantity and value of all the gold known to have been raised in those colonies since the period of its first discovery in Australia in 1851; those for South Australia are estimated chiefly from the returns of the Melbourne and Sydney Mints, and partly from the export returns; those for New Zealand express the total gold entered for duty for export from the earliest period; and those for Tasmania express the quantity known to have been raised since 1866, there being no record of the gold raised prior to that period. There being no reliable returns of the gold raised in Western Australia, the yield prior to 1889 has been estimated roughly at 100,000 ozs., to which have been added the quantities which have since appeared in the export returns of the colony, which, however, are admittedly very defective. The yield in 1900, so far as information is available, was as follows:—Victoria, 807,407 ozs.; New South Wales, 345,650 ozs.; Western Australia, 1,580,950 ozs.; and New Zealand, 373,616 ozs.

* The purity, and consequently the value, of gold varies considerably in different localities. In Victoria the average value is set down as £4 per oz., in Western Australia as £3 15s. 9d., and in Queensland as £3 per oz. Standard gold (*i.e.*, 22 carats fine) is worth £3 17s. 10½d. and pure gold £4 4s. 11½d. per oz. to the Mint, but commercially the latter may be reckoned at £4 4s. 10d.

† Including Northern Territory.

a Quantity declared for export and received at Mint.

TABLE XLV.—COAL RAISED, 1899.

Colony.	Coal Raised.			Average Value at Pit's Mouth at end of Year.
	Quantity.	Value at Pit's Mouth.		
	tons.	£	s. d.	
Victoria ...	262,380	£113,522	8 8	
New South Wales ...	4,597,028	£1,325,799	5 9	
Queensland ...	494,009	£175,715	7 1	
Western Australia ...	54,336	£25,951	9 7	
Total ...	5,407,753	£1,640,987	6 1	
Tasmania ...	43,113	£17,008	7 11	
New Zealand ...	975,234	£487,617	10 0	
Grand Total	6,426,100	£2,145,612	6 8	

NOTE.—No coal was produced in South Australia.

TABLE XLVI.—MINERAL PRODUCTION (OTHER THAN GOLD AND COAL), 1899.

Name of Colony.	Silver.		Silver-lead, &c.		Copper.		Tin.		Other Minerals.	Total.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Victoria	87,969	£11,546	...	...	...	...	156	£11,200	£25,750	£48,496
New South Wales	692,036	76,913	444,627	£1,993,744	...	395,451	...	90,482	446,312	3,002,902
Queensland	145,325	£15,671	56	730	161	9,498	1,308	77,302	£12,525*	£115,726
South Australia—Proper ...	...	...	...	...	5,496	406,208	...	...	29,821	436,029
„ Northern Territory ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	180	1,229	1,409
Western Australia .. ...	...	...	83	913	2,964	35,938	335	25,270	£11,777	73,898
Tasmania	756,938	98,309	116,851	279,479	68,387†	£1,227,532	3,281	270,864	318,000	2,194,184
New Zealand	349,338	40,838	...	...	...	...	...	...	614,926‡	655,764
Grand Total ...	2,031,606	243,277	561,617	£2,274,866	77,008	2,074,627	5,082	475,298	£1,460,340	6,528,408

* Including £9,000 worth of opal.

† Including 60,025 tons of ore.

‡ Including Kauri gum, £607,919.

TABLE XLVII.—INTERCHANGE OF COIN AND BULLION, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Net Export of Gold.				Net Export of Silver.			
	Coin.	Bullion.	Total.		Coin.	Bullion.†	Silver-lead Ore.	Total.
			Value.	Per cent. of Total Production.				
Victoria	£3,983,872	£-2,427,883	£1,555,989	45.5	£-31,949	£-1,962	...	£-33,911
New South Wales	2,787,126	-1,530,096	1,257,030	71.8	-8,342	13,235	1,965,955	1,970,848
Queensland	-92,080	2,579,062	2,486,982	87.6	-30,431	635	10,936	-18,860
South Australia *	4,300	126,110	130,410	165.0	-38,547	584,734	74,024	620,211
Western Australia ...	74,692	5,451,368	5,526,060	88.5	...	-1	15,709	15,708
Total	6,757,910	4,198,561	10,956,471	76.4	-109,269	596,641	2,066,624	2,553,996
Tasmania	-19,200	201,235	182,035	55.6	-9,605	...	208,869	199,264
New Zealand	-110,826	1,513,245	1,402,419	92.7	1,244	40,776	...	42,020
Grand Total ...	6,627,884	5,913,041	12,540,925	77.5	-117,630	637,417	2,275,493	2,795,280

NOTE.—The minus (—) sign denotes a "net import."

* Including Northern Territory.

† The bulk of the Silver exported from New South Wales and Tasmania goes out in the form of Silver-lead Ore. The large exportation from South Australia (which is not a silver-producing country), is due to the reduction in that colony of large quantities of ore, &c., imported from Broken Hill, in New South Wales.

TABLE XLVIII.—CONSUMPTION OF SIX LEADING DUTIABLE ARTICLES IN AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA, 1899.

Colony.	Spirits (thousands of gallons).				Beer (thousands of gallons).				Wine (thousands of gallons).				Tobacco (thousands of lbs.).				Tea (thousands of lbs.).				Sugar—Tons.			
	Imported, Duty Paid.	Local, Paid Excise Duty.	Total.	Imported, Duty Paid.	Local, Paid Excise Duty.	Total.	Less Drawbacks.	Imported, Duty Paid.	Local Production.*	Less Drawbacks and Exports of Home Produce.†	Total.	Imported, Duty Paid.†	Paid Excise Duty.	Less Drawbacks and Unmanufactured, Duty Paid.†	Total.	Imported, Duty Paid.	Less Drawbacks.	Total.	Imported, Duty Paid.	Local Production.*	Less Drawbacks and Exports of Home Produce.‡	Total.		
Victoria ...	705,	205,	910,	531,	13,801,	...	14,332,	34,	1,882,	328,l	1,588,	2,285,	1,456,	1,247,u	2,494,	9,789,	1,732,	8,057,	55,887	348	467 d	55,768		
New South Wales ...	1,000,	7,	1,007,	1,666,	12,219,	34,d	13,851,	77,	845,	33,l 2,d	887,	2,415,	2,377,	1,754,u	3,038,	12,570,\$	1,457,\$	11,113,	43,553	12,445	1,618 l 559 d	53,821		
Queensland ...	460,	74,	534,	488,	4,979,	...	5,467,	52,	134,	...	186,	888,	609,	46,u	1,451,	3,461,	...	3,461,	153	123,289	110,517 l	12,925		
South Australia ...	125,	81,	206,	133,	3,004,	...	3,137,	5,	1,081,	497,l	589,	654,	...	...	654,	3,258,	...	3,258,	16,625	...	...	16,625
Western Australia	267,	...	267,	527,	3,374,	...	3,901,	53,	114,	...	167,	630,	...	...	630,	1,583,\$	...	1,583,	8,628	...	...	8,628
Tasmania ...	86,	...	86,	69,	1,353,	...	1,422,	20,	...	...	20,	361,	...	...	361,	1,078,	...	1,078,	7,850	...	...	7,850
Total ...	2,643,	367,	3,010,	3,414,	38,730,	34,	42,110,	241,	4,056,	860,	3,437,	7,233,	4,442,	3,047,	8,628,	31,739,	3,189,	28,550,	132,696	136,082	113,161	155,617		

* In these cases, there being no excise duty, the quantity produced in the colony is given instead.

† Unmanufactured tobacco imported which is included with the imports is also deducted, being distinguished by the letter *u*.‡ Quantities, the produce or manufacture of the colony exported, is also deducted in these cases, being distinguished by the letter *l* from drawbacks *d*.

§ Quantities imported and exported in each case, there being no import duty on tea in the case of New South Wales and Western Australia.

TABLE XLVIIIA.—CONSUMPTION PER HEAD OF SIX LEADING DUTIABLE ARTICLES IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1891 TO 1899.

	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia and Tasmania.
Spirits (galls.) ...	1891 1.18	1.16	1.15	.65	1.46	.70	1.08
	1892 1.00	1.02	1.07	.67	1.55	.51	.97
	1893 .59	.82	.95	.56	1.40	.42	.73
	1894 .63	.77	.91	.53	1.45	.37	.71
	1895 .55	.74	.91	.55	1.78	.37	.69
	1896 .74	.73	.91	.55	2.16	.38	.77
	1897 .68	.70	.86	.52	1.80	.38	.73
	1898 .73	.74	1.01	.50	1.52	.42	.77
	1899 .78	.75	1.12	.57	1.58	.48	.81
Beer (galls.) ...	1891 16.32	11.39	10.48	...	...	9.97	...
	1892 14.46	11.19	9.31	...	...	9.43	...
	1893 11.28	9.33	8.75	...	...	7.94	...
	1894 11.07	9.07	8.99	...	...	6.99	...
	1895 11.15	9.04	10.91	9.05	...	7.13	...
	1896 11.44	9.22	13.03	9.22	21.04	7.19	10.76
	1897 11.50	9.59	12.04	8.77	24.31	7.15	10.95
	1898 12.06	9.93	10.32	8.92	23.65	7.62	11.00
	1899 12.35	10.30	11.50	8.64	23.10	7.91	11.40
Wine (galls.) ...	1891 1.72	.84	.64	1.51	4.10	.21	1.22
	1892 1.22	.86	.55	1.47	3.29	.13	1.02
	1893 1.19	.83	.55	1.00	2.83	.09	.94
	1894 1.09	.65	.30	1.32	1.35	.08	.81
	1895 1.37	.63	.48	2.32	1.32	.09	1.02
	1896 1.62	.73	.60	3.32	1.35	.09	1.26
	1897 2.16	.65	.44	3.41	.98	.09	1.37
	1898 1.48	.69	.52	2.13	.89	.10	1.04
	1899 1.37	.66	.39	1.62	.99	.11	.93
Tobacco (lbs.) ...	1891 2.40	2.91	4.74	2.05	4.41	2.20	2.86
	1892 2.35	2.86	3.22	2.00	3.61	1.95	2.61
	1893 2.21	2.54	2.65	1.97	3.29	1.78	2.36
	1894 1.93	2.42	4.25	1.85	4.02	1.61	2.43
	1895 2.19	2.53	2.84	1.86	4.20	1.87	2.38
	1896 2.06	2.50	2.73	1.71	5.81	1.82	2.40
	1897 2.05	2.49	2.65	1.72	5.10	1.76	2.37
	1898 2.05	2.57	2.76	1.74	4.58	1.91	2.41
	1899 2.15	2.26	3.05	1.80	3.73	2.01	2.33
Tea (lbs.) ...	1891 8.01	7.92	8.17	7.45	10.45	6.18	7.91
	1892 7.63	8.33	7.72	7.50	9.80	7.19	7.85
	1893 6.64	8.25	7.44	7.47	8.41	5.93	7.41
	1894 6.37	8.58	7.17	7.52	9.98	5.69	7.43
	1895 6.65	8.28	6.76	7.83	6.03	6.15	7.33
	1896 6.94	6.04	7.09	8.13	11.58	5.70	6.86
	1897 6.60	7.32	6.68	7.67	8.87	5.34	7.00
	1898 6.90	7.07	6.92	8.31	9.46	5.80	7.17
	1899 6.94	8.26	7.28	8.97	9.37	6.00	7.73
Sugar and Molasses (lbs.)*	1891 87.85	83.34	56.95	96.37	97.84	77.56	82.75
	1892 107.09	94.19	125.03	94.57	85.89	82.86	101.84
	1893 78.40	78.87	125.38	100.30	76.91	80.74	86.95
	1894 92.77	97.20	137.13	97.76	103.26	73.58	99.76
	1895 91.39	88.78	92.85	94.98	64.05	87.88	90.00
	1896 97.01	100.23	119.39	97.34	117.21	84.80	101.12
	1897 98.70	95.00	161.38	98.94	103.85	92.57	105.42
	1898 106.85	89.99	179.31	96.13	109.12	95.38	108.85
	1899 107.62	89.62	60.90	102.59	114.44	97.84	94.39

* About 10 per cent. of the sugar consumed in Victoria, New South Wales, and Queensland is used in brewing and distilling.

TABLE XLIX.—BANKS OF ISSUE.—AVERAGE OF QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1899.

Name of Colony.	Number of Banks.*	Paid-up Capital.	Deposits.	Bank Notes in Circulation.	Advances.	Coin and Bullion.
Victoria ...	11	£22,395,067	£30,050,429†	£95,795	£30,143,322	£6,971,796
New South Wales ...	13		30,721,521	1,340,557	37,587,716	£6,082,757
Queensland ...	11		13,097,636	...	12,966,111	£1,886,284
South Australia ...	8		5,830,665	397,616	4,493,929	£1,664,962
Western Australia ...	6		4,173,125	364,243	2,694,922	£1,997,669
Total ...	19		83,873,376	3,054,211	87,886,000	£18,603,468
Tasmania ...	4		3,105,563	148,319	2,353,676	£30,757
New Zealand ...	5		14,433,638	1,195,562	14,185,607	£2,626,177
Grand Total ...	22		101,412,577	4,398,092	104,425,283	£21,860,402

* Net number; many banks do business in more than one colony.

† Inclusive of Perpetual Inscribed Stock, £940,334.

† In Queensland, Treasury notes have taken the place of bank notes. On the 30th June, 1899, the value of Treasury notes outstanding was £1,063,249, of which two-fifths were represented by gold and coin, one-fourth by Fixed Deposits in Banks, and nearly two-fifths were advanced to Banks at 2 per centum.

TABLE L.—PUBLIC SAVINGS BANKS, 1899.

(Including both Trustee and Post Office Savings Banks.)

Name of Colony.	On the 31st December, 1899.*				Maximum Amount on which Interest is allowed.†	Interest allowed.		
	Number of Depositors.		Amount remaining on Deposit.			Government Banks.	Trustee Banks.	
	Total.	Per 100 of the Population.	Total.	Average to each Depositor.				
Victoria ...	375,070	32·24	9,110,793	24 5 10	250	...	2½ and 2+	
New South Wales ...	260,826	19·23	10,069,434	38 12 1	200	3	3	
Queensland ...	78,009	16·41	3,171,047	40 13 0	200	3	...	
South Australia ...	100,763	27·55	3,257,838	32 6 8	250	...	3	
Western Australia ...	31,164	18·45	1,177,024	37 15 4	300	3	...	
Total ...	845,832	23·96	26,786,136	31 13 5	...	...	...
Tasmania ...	39,923	21·90	915,063	22 18 5	150	3	3	
New Zealand ...	213,172	28·18	6,128,298	28 15 0	500	3 and 2½+	3 and 2½+	
Grand Total	1,098,927	24·59	33,829,497	30 15 8	...	...	...

NOTE.—There are both Government and Trustee Banks in New South Wales, Tasmania, and New Zealand; Government Savings Banks only in Queensland and Western Australia; and Trustee Banks only in South Australia and Victoria—those in the latter colony being guaranteed by, and under the supervision of, the Government. All the Government Savings Banks are managed by the Postal Departments except that for Queensland. In Victoria the Government and the Trustee Banks were merged into one institution on the 30th September, 1897.

* Except in the case of Queensland and Western Australia, for which the figures relate to 30th June, 1899.

† Exceptions are often made in the case of the funds of Friendly Societies or Charitable Institutions.

‡ Rate is 2½ per cent. for the first £100 or under, and 2 per cent. for any excess over that amount up to £250 in Victoria; and 3 per cent. up to £200, and 2½ per cent. from £200 to £500 in New Zealand.

TABLE LI.—TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANKS OF VICTORIA, NEW SOUTH WALES, AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

		Victoria, 1899-1900.	New South Wales, 1899.	South Australia. 1898-9.
At end of year—				
Depositors ...	...	No. 375,070	81,303	100,763
Deposits ...	...	£ 9,110,793	4,584,399	3,257,838
Depositors having at credit—		Percentage.	Percentage.	Percentage.
£20 and under ...	...	77	54	72
£20 to £50 ...	...	9	13	10
£50 to £100 ...	...	6	10	7
£100 to £200 ...	...	5	12	6
£200 to £250 ...	...	1	10	2
£250 to £300 ...	...	2	1	3
Over £300 ...	...		
Earnings during the year—		£	£	£
Gross ...	...	256,750	164,110	110,430
Discharges ...	...	42,382	16,649	11,997
Net ...	...	214,368	147,461	98,433
Paid to depositors and accrued interest ...		186,841	143,906	89,089
Carried to reserves ...	...	23,512	6,000	10,000
Investments at end of year—		£	Rate of Interest realized.*	£
Deposits with Colonial Treasurer ...		558,108	3·00	2,527,316
Lent on Mortgage ...	...	1,182,353†	3·84	857,345
Mortgage bonds (Crédit Foncier) ‡	...	760,850	3·00	5·07
Government Securities ...	...	4,305,144§	2·88	...
Municipal Debentures, &c. ...	...	203,140	4·90	5,059
Bank Deposits ||	...	1,503,141	3·46	162,204
Freeholds acquired by foreclosure	...	303,509		1,146,390
Bank premises ...	...	119,346		3·23
Total ...	...	8,935,591		4,739,714
Reserves—				3,320,942
Reserve fund ...	...	...	212,421	100,000
Depreciation Account ...	...	55,749	40,648	41
Fidelity guarantee fund ...	...	3,690	...	10,000
Profit and loss account ...	...	40,540	1,540	10,559
Total ...	...	99,979	254,609	120,600

* Average during year.

† Including £140,110 loans to farmers under old Act.

‡ Guaranteed by State.

§ Including £3,117,310 for which the Colonial Treasurer's certificate only is held.

|| Exclusive of Bank Working Account, £129,812 in Victoria, £91,893 in New South Wales, and £29,238 in South Australia.

TABLE LII.—ADVANCES BY STATE OR SAVINGS BANKS TO FARMERS, 1899-1900.

		Victoria.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	New Zealand.
During the Year—					
Applications received	...	No. 899	...	...	1,963
" amount	...	£ 423,122	...	...	751,505
" approved	...	No. 599	...	...	1,402
" amount	...	£ 253,500	...	14,275	560,015
Amount advanced	...	£ 182,490	65,729	...	448,985
Bonds sold	...	£ 204,925	72,200	...	500,000
Totals to Date—					
Applications approved and accepted	...	No. 2,516	...	930	8,452
" amount	...	£ 1,106,905	...	123,000†	2,633,440
Advances outstanding	...	£ 896,326	454,552	...	1,747,329
Bonds authorized to be issued	...	£ 2,000,000	531,200	100,000	3,000,000
" outstanding	...	£ 905,925*	454,200	100,000	2,000,000
" " " proceeds realized	...	£ 905,954	...	...	1,894,102
Advances—					
Rate of interest charged ‡	...	per cent. 4½	4½	5	5
Maximum term	...	years 31½	42	...	36½
" amount allowed	...	£ 2,000	...	800	3,000
Highest proportion of valuation advanced	...	per cent. 67	60	75 §	60

NOTE.—In several of the colonies institutions or branches of institutions have been established for raising money by the issue of bonds, and making advances therefrom to farmers for extended terms at reduced rates of interest. In Victoria such functions are performed by the Commissioners of Savings Banks (guaranteed by the Government), in South Australia by a State Bank, in Western Australia by an Agricultural Bank, and in New Zealand by the "Government Advances to Settlers Office." In Victoria the Act was passed on 24th December, 1896. The object is to allow of advances being made—(1) To pay off liabilities already existing on land; (2) To pay off any money owing to the Crown; (3) To make improvements on or to improve and develop the agricultural, horticultural, viticultural, or pastoral resources of land, &c. Although the Savings Bank Commissioners had tested the system before the Act was passed in 1896, as they had been lending to farmers since April, 1894, under the old Act, the amount so lent being £176,695, and upon these loans all the instalments due up to 30th June, 1897, were fully paid, representing 419 first, 347 second, 238 third, 128 fourth, 58 fifth, and 9 sixth instalments. In *South Australia* expenses of management during the first quarter amounted to £3,433. In *Western Australia* the bank which has a capital limited to £100,000 was established in 1895, and is restricted, which is said not to be the case in other colonies, to advances for the further improvement of land (the improvements allowed being clearing, cultivating, ring-barking, fencing, draining, wells of fresh water, reservoirs, buildings, and other improvements which will increase the agricultural and pastoral capabilities of the land); and the maximum advance allowed is £800. In *New Zealand* the system has been in force since 1894. In *Queensland* there has been an issue of Government Bank Inscribed Stock amounting to £1,005,960 on 30th June, 1898, but none of this appears to be utilized for advances to farmers, as £670,000 has been applied to the Redemption of Government Debentures and Treasury Bills, and the balance placed in the Queensland National Bank.

Rate of Interest on Mortgages in New Zealand.—According to the return to an order of the Lower House of Parliament in New Zealand, dated 11th August, 1898, the amount of mortgages registered in that colony during the year 1897-8 was £6,702,081, and the amount paid off £5,516,598. The rate of interest was specified in respect to £5,447,000 of the former amount; about £12,000 bore interest at under 4 per cent., £31,000 at 4 per cent., £995,000 at 4½ per cent., £178,000 at 4¾ per cent., £2,030,000 at 5 per cent., £435,000 at 5½ per cent., £824,000 at 6 per cent., £219,000 at 6½ per cent., £16,000 at 6¾ per cent., £54,000 at 7 per cent., £28,000 at 7½ per cent., £215,000 at 8 per cent., £22,000 at 8½ and 9 per cent., £48,000 at 10 per cent., £25,000 at various other rates between 4¾ and 7½ per cent., and £5,000 at various rates between 11 and 40 per cent. averaging 14 per cent.). On the whole, the average rate was slightly under 5½ per cent.

* Three per cents., of which the Savings Banks Department of the institution held £760,850, the balance being held by the public.

† On improvements effected and in progress to the value of £226,639.

‡ Exclusive of payments towards redemption.

§ Of improvements to be effected, but in addition there is the value of the land and improvements previously effected.

TABLE LIII.—CAPITAL AND ANNUAL VALUE OF RATEABLE PROPERTY.

Colony.	Value of Rateable Property.		
	Capital.	Annual.	
		£	£
Victoria ...	... 168,456,523	10,134,108	
New South Wales * ...	... 121,213,800	7,412,100	
Queensland ...	... 42,195,693	2,637,000†	
South Australia ...	... 51,068,280	2,553,414	
Tasmania ...	... 10,973,150	998,657	
New Zealand ...	... 138,591,347	8,152,500†	
Grand Total ‡ ...	... 541,498,793	31,887,779	

* In municipal districts only, not for whole colony. See also page 34 *ante*.

† Estimated from capital value.

‡ Exclusive of Western Australia, and the unmunicipalized portion of New South Wales, for which the information is not available.

TABLE LIV.—PROBATES AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION, 1899.

Colony.				Number of Estates.	Sworn Value of Property.
				£	
Victoria	...	...	...	3,641	5,920,104
New South Wales	...	...	...	2,505	5,063,552
Queensland	...	...	...	620	2,163,272
South Australia	...	...	...	876	1,155,497
Western Australia	...	...	...	253	273,805
Total	...	...	...	7,895	15,026,230
Tasmania	...	...	...	192	556,399
New Zealand	...	...	...	1,327	2,020,475
Grand Total	...	...	...	9,414	17,603,104

TABLE LV.—LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES IN FORCE, 1899.

Colony.	Policies.			Amount Assured.	
	Number.	Per 100 of Population.	Total.	Average per Policy.	
				Number.	Total.
Victoria	156,411	13.5	26,536,403	169.7	
New South Wales	149,039	11.0	27,162,278	181.5	
South Australia	63,974	17.5	8,007,466	125.2	
Western Australia	16,558	9.7	3,340,033	201.8	
Tasmania	18,638	10.2	3,140,860	168.5	
New Zealand *	85,540	11.3	21,762,155	254.4	
Total (exclusive of Queensland) ...	490,760	12.2	89,949,195	183.3	

NOTE.—In Victoria there were also 222 annuities for £14,032; in New South Wales, 321 for £22,202; in South Australia, 72 for £3,194; in Western Australia, 1 for £121; in Tasmania, 51 for £3,344; and in New Zealand, about 425 for £29,462.

* Including 39,366 policies for £9,558,166, paid by the Government Insurance Department.

TABLE LVI.—FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

Colony.	Year.	Number of Branches.	Members.		During Year.		Funds.	
			Number.	Per 100 of Population.	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Amount.	Average per Member.
Victoria	1899	1,105	93,700	8.05	£ 348,949	£ 310,346	£ 1,257,362	£ 13 8 5
New South Wales	1897	817	69,124	5.22	252,327	218,453	596,463	8 12 7
Queensland	1899	340	29,099	6.03	97,930	77,676	222,084	7 12 8
South Australia	1895	487	42,703	11.95	165,445	151,563	475,654	11 2 9
Western Australia	1899	85	5,541	3.24	19,598	15,659	39,011	7 0 10
Total	...	2,834	240,167	6.77	884,249	773,697	2,590,574	10 15 9
Tasmania	1893	130	11,871	6.69	37,837	34,639	95,202	8 0 5
New Zealand	1898	410	35,501	4.78	134,556	111,635	678,746	19 2 5
Grand Total	...	3,374	287,539	6.41	1,056,642	919,971	3,364,522	11 14 0

TABLE LVII.—INMATES OF CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1899.
(Not including Hospitals.)

Colony.		Under 15 years.	15 years and over.	Total.
Victoria	...	1,811	3,037	4,848
New South Wales	...	1,558	5,082	6,640
Queensland	...	*	*	1,820
South Australia	...	115	1,436	1,551
Western Australia	...	380	328	708
Tasmania	...	14	508	522
New Zealand	...	207	1,048	1,255
Grand Total	...	...	...	17,344

* The ages of inmates in this colony are not available.

TABLE LVIII.—CRIME, 1899.

Colony.	Number of Offences brought before Magistrates on Arrest or Summons.					Result of Disposal by Magistrates.			In Superior Courts.—Number			Number of Prisoners in Gaols on 31st December.	
	Against the person.	Against property.	Drunkenness.	Other Offences.	Total.	Summarily convicted.		Committed for trial.	Tried.	Convicted.	Acquitted.		
						Drunkenness.	Other Offences.						
Victoria ...	2,242	3,460	12,998	27,613	46,313	7,943	26,143	671	697	467	230	1,140	
New South Wales ...	4,211	5,978	19,938	23,980	54,107	19,789	24,188	1,286	1,202	745	457	1,984	
Queensland ...	1,933	2,243	8,337	10,172	22,685	8,317	10,217	475	377	252	124	551	
South Australia ...	393	609	1,999	2,719	5,720	1,958	2,627	166	113	76	37	278	
Western Australia	978	1,657	2,826	8,419	13,880	1,595	7,698	240	216	116	100	438	
Total ...	9,757	13,947	46,098	72,903	142,705	39,602	70,873	2,838	2,605	1,656	948	4,391	
Tasmania ...	396	600	885	3,108	4,989	823	3,118	85	54	36	18	103	
New Zealand*	1,435	2,740	6,279	12,220	22,674	6,194	11,092	681	491	376	115	566	
Grand Total ...	11,588	17,287	53,262	88,231	170,368	46,619	85,083	3,604	3,150	2,068	1,081	5,060	

* Excluding Maoris, of whom 421 were brought before magistrates—300 being summarily convicted, and 29 committed for trial; also 13 in the Superior Courts—7 being convicted and 6 acquitted.

TABLE LIX.—INSOLVENCIES, 1899.

Colony.	Number of Petitions.			Total Liabilities.	Total Assets.		
	Compulsory (adjudicated).	Voluntary.	Total.				
Victoria ...	36	322	358	269,485	127,130		
New South Wales ...	112	521	633	321,913	175,345		
Queensland ...	18	337	355	104,960	24,465		
South Australia ...	5	27	32	13,069	10,085		
Western Australia	40	59	99	105,614	55,151		
Total ...	211	1,266	1,477	815,041	392,176		
Tasmania ...	5	52	57	13,791	5,326		
New Zealand ...	32	357	389	175,470	59,435		
Grand Total ...	248	1,675	1,923	1,004,302	456,937		

NOTE.—This does not take into account compositions with creditors, &c. In 1899 there were in Victoria, besides the above insolvencies, 2 compositions, and 150 private arrangements; in South Australia, 141 private arrangements; in Queensland, 66 liquidations; and in New Zealand, 4 compositions under their respective Insolvency Acts.

APPENDIX A.

ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION ACCORDING TO THE CENSUS.

1. POPULATION, 1881 AND 1891.

Colony.	Enumerated Population.			Chinese included in Population.		Aborigines (including Half-castes).	
	1881.	1891.		1881.	1891.	1881.	1891.
		Males.	Females.				
Victoria ...	862,346*	598,414	541,991	1,140,405*	12,128	9,377	780
New South Wales ...	751,468*	612,562	519,672	1,132,234*	10,205	14,156	1,643†
Queensland ...	213,525	223,779	169,939	393,718	11,229	8,574	20,585‡
South Australia ...	279,865	166,801	153,630	320,431	4,151	3,997	6,346†
Western Australia ...	29,708	29,807	19,975	49,782	145	917	2,346†
Tasmania ...	115,705*	77,560	69,107	146,667*	844	1,056	...||
Total Australia ...	2,252,617	1,708,923	1,474,314	3,183,237	38,702	38,077	31,700
New Zealand ...	489,933	332,877	293,781	626,658	5,004	4,444	44,097
Total Australasia ...	2,742,550	2,041,800	1,768,095	3,809,895	43,706	42,521	75,797
							101,596

* Including Aborigines. In other cases, Aborigines were not taken into account.

† In settled districts or employed by settlers only.

‡ Rough estimate only.

§ Figures for 1881 repeated.

|| Not ascertainable.

2. AGES OF THE PEOPLE IN EACH AUSTRALASIAN COLONY, 1891.

(Exclusive of Aborigines.)

Ages.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.
MALES.							
Under 5 years ...	75,185	83,640	30,458	23,015	3,441	10,829	42,266
5 to 10 , , ,	65,418	72,511	23,820	21,827	2,787	9,870	43,502
10 to 15 , , ,	58,996	61,840	19,902	19,162	2,402	8,276	40,763
15 to 20 , , ,	57,264	53,931	18,203	15,363	2,235	7,066	32,586
20 to 25 , , ,	63,413	57,666	24,094	15,380	3,410	7,148	28,445
25 to 35 , , ,	110,944	111,685	47,079	27,826	6,721	13,510	45,903
35 to 45 , , ,	55,858	71,465	27,810	18,873	3,384	7,789	38,418
45 to 55 , , ,	44,915	49,451	19,730	12,228	2,441	4,870	33,930
55 to 65 , , ,	42,477	29,148	9,044	7,623	1,900	3,832	18,697
65 and upwards	23,619	16,666	3,639	5,504	1,086	4,297	8,367
Total Males ...	598,089	608,003	223,779	166,801	29,807	77,487	332,877
FEMALES.							
Under 5 years ...	73,471	81,354	29,874	22,266	3,394	10,618	40,955
5 to 10 , , ,	63,966	70,977	23,275	21,267	2,610	9,512	42,596
10 to 15 , , ,	57,878	60,867	19,258	18,641	2,392	8,169	40,338
15 to 20 , , ,	57,859	54,160	17,131	15,617	2,067	6,813	32,665
20 to 25 , , ,	61,655	53,133	18,718	14,923	2,178	6,577	29,855
25 to 35 , , ,	95,060	83,097	28,125	23,627	3,287	10,992	40,339
35 to 45 , , ,	47,938	49,113	15,417	14,629	1,736	6,186	28,592
45 to 55 , , ,	39,037	33,153	10,798	10,448	1,215	4,477	21,794
55 to 65 , , ,	29,135	18,398	4,974	7,088	721	3,268	10,636
65 and upwards	15,752	11,699	2,369	5,124	375	2,429	6,011
Total Females ...	541,751	515,951	169,939	153,630	19,975	69,041	293,781

3. BIRTHPLACES OF THE PEOPLE IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1891.

Colony.	Number of Persons born in—							
	Colony.	Other Australasian Colonies.*	United Kingdom.	Other British Possessions.	Germany.	The United States.	China.	Residue.
Victoria ...	713,585	79,719	298,881	4,852	10,775	2,905	9,377	20,311
New South Wales ...	733,295	85,154	266,101	4,634	9,567	3,379	14,156	15,948
Queensland ...	176,971	28,336	142,623	1,959	14,910	427	8,574	19,918
South Australia ...	217,730	11,078	72,064	1,505	8,553	386	3,997	5,118
Western Australia ...	27,825	3,254	14,522	757	290	154	917	2,063
Tasmania ...	107,901	7,328	26,975	682	918	221	1,056	1,586
Australia ...	1,977,307	214,869	821,166	14,389	45,013	7,472	38,077	64,944
New Zealand ...	366,716	15,943	218,834	3,703	4,663	667	4,444	11,688
Australasia ...	2,344,023	230,812	1,040,000	18,092	49,676	8,139	42,521	76,632

* Including Fiji and New Guinea.

4. PROBABLE NATIONAL ORIGIN OF THE PEOPLE OF AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA, 1891.

	Origin.	Number.
English descent	1,933,500
Scotch descent	413,700
Irish descent	651,000
Aborigines and Polynesians	18,400*
Chinese	36,000
Foreigners (chiefly Europeans)	130,600
Total	3,183,200

NOTE.—This estimate is based mainly on the nationality of the emigration from the United Kingdom in the period 1853-95.

* Number enumerated only.

5. RELIGIONS OF THE PEOPLE IN EACH AUSTRALASIAN COLONY, 1891.
(Exclusive of Aborigines.)

Colony.	Number of Persons of each Denomination.						
	Church of England.	Presbyterians.	Methodists.	Other Protestants.	Roman Catholics.	Jews.	Residue.
Victoria ...	416,951	166,911	158,008	94,530	248,585	6,459	48,396
New South Wales ...	506,868	109,383	110,110	63,472	286,917	5,484	41,720
Queensland ...	142,555	45,639	30,868	52,429	92,765	809	28,653
South Australia ...	89,271	18,206	76,614	67,433	47,179	840	20,888
Western Australia ...	25,018	1,997	4,595	2,269	12,601	129	3,173
Total ...	1,180,663	342,136	380,195	280,133	688,047	13,721	142,830
Tasmania ...	76,010	9,746	17,139	10,940	25,776	84	6,833
New Zealand ...	253,331	141,477	63,415	48,427	87,272	1,463	31,273
Total ...	1,510,004	493,359	460,749	339,500	801,095	15,268	180,936

6. CONJUGAL CONDITION OF ADULTS, 1891.

(Exclusive of Chinese, Aborigines, and Polynesians.)

Colony.	Married (all Ages).		Widowed (all Ages).		Single * (Ages 20 and upwards).		Total.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Victoria ...	170,283	173,646	18,481	32,898	144,567	84,276	333,331	290,820
New South Wales ...	166,225	165,544	16,760	25,795	140,242	59,876	323,227	251,215
Queensland ...	57,287	57,224	4,464	6,695	60,518	16,650	122,269	80,569
South Australia †	48,932	48,295	3,791	8,442	32,056 [‡]	16,824 [‡]	84,779	73,561
Western Australia ...	7,243	6,378	890	886	10,667	1,990	18,800	9,254
Tasmania ...	22,313	21,399	2,413	3,945	15,616 [‡]	8,885 [‡]	40,342	34,229
Total Australia ...	472,283	472,486	46,799	78,661	403,666	188,501	922,748	739,648
New Zealand ...	90,487	90,870	7,797	12,098	70,437	34,913	168,721	137,881
Total Australasia ...	562,770	563,356	54,596	90,759	474,103	223,414	1,091,469	877,529

* Including divorced persons at all ages. — † Nothing in Census to show whether Chinese are included or excluded. — ‡ 21 and upwards in these cases.

7. BREADWINNERS AND DEPENDENTS IN THE AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1891.

(Exclusive of Aborigines and of those whose occupations were not returned.)

Colony.	Males.				Females.				Total.	
	Bread-winners.*	Dependents.			Bread-winners.	Dependents.				
		Total.	Under 20.	Over 20.		Total.	Under 20.	Over 20.	Bread-winners.	Dependents.
<i>Numbers.</i>										
Victoria ...	387,658	204,921	196,506	8,415	114,266	426,060	220,744	205,316	501,924	630,981
New South Wales ...	382,306	223,182	214,707	8,475	82,484	432,918	247,202	185,716	464,790	656,100
Queensland ...	146,161	76,064	73,004	3,060	31,612	137,952	80,279	57,673	177,773	214,016
South Australia † ...	99,109	61,870	60,424	1,446	24,253	127,582	69,249	58,333	123,362	189,452
Western Australia ...	21,361	8,083	7,875	208	2,952	16,718	9,343	7,371	24,313	24,801
Tasmania ...	48,515	28,727	27,437	1,290	12,431	56,529	31,403	25,126	60,946	85,256
New Zealand ...	204,624	125,531	122,416	3,115	43,491	248,364	141,401	105,963	248,115	373,895
<i>Proportion per 1,000 of Population.</i>										
Victoria ...	342	181	174	7	101	376	195	181	443	557
New South Wales ...	341	199	192	7	74	386	220	166	415	585
Queensland ...	373	194	186	8	81	352	205	147	454	546
South Australia ...	317	198	193	5	77	408	222	186	394	606
Western Australia ...	435	165	161	4	60	340	190	150	495	505
Tasmania ...	332	196	188	8	85	387	215	172	417	583
New Zealand ...	329	202	197	5	70	399	227	172	399	601

* Including unemployed.

† In South Australia the ages of dependents are given as under and over 21 years of age.

8. A.—OCCUPATIONS BY CLASSES, 1891.

(Exclusive of Aborigines* and of those whose occupations were not returned).

Colony.	Breadwinners (including unemployed).						Dependents.	Total.		
	Professional.	Domestic.	Commercial. (Distributors)	Industrial. (Modifiers)	Primary Producers.	Indefinite. (Pensioners, &c.)				
<i>Males.</i>										
Victoria ...	20,001	15,075	90,283	139,765	118,073	4,461	204,921	592,579		
New South Wales ...	21,113	20,063	82,008	123,071	131,393	4,865	223,182	605,488		
Queensland ...	7,549	5,963	29,108	42,015	61,233	293	76,064	222,225		
South Australia * ...	4,659	2,831	23,775	31,305	35,646	893	61,870	160,979		
Western Australia ...	1,134	1,130	4,699	5,930	8,318	150	8,083	29,444		
Tasmania ...	2,715	1,429	8,242	14,194	21,686	249	28,727	77,242		
Total Australia ...	57,171	46,491	238,115	356,280	376,349	10,704	602,847	1,687,957		
New Zealand ...	10,082	5,537	40,330	59,196	87,860	1,619	125,531	330,155		
Australasia ...	67,253	52,028	278,445	415,476	464,209	12,323	728,378	2,018,112		
<i>Females.</i>										
Victoria ...	9,727	42,455	9,267	28,674	10,861	13,282	426,060	540,326		
New South Wales ...	10,378	38,804	4,621	17,483	5,633	5,565	432,918	515,402		
Queensland ...	2,927	14,423	2,163	5,169	6,759	171	137,952	169,564		
South Australia * ...	2,600	11,170	1,974	5,606	2,218	685	127,582	151,835		
Western Australia ...	343	1,492	321	405	312	79	16,718	19,670		
Tasmania ...	1,203	5,751	1,351	1,822	1,882	422	56,529	68,960		
Total Australia ...	27,178	114,095	19,697	59,159	27,665	20,204	1,197,759	1,465,757		
New Zealand ...	5,739	19,391	2,866	11,325	2,686	1,484	248,364	291,855		
Australasia ...	32,917	133,486	22,563	70,484	30,351	21,688	1,446,123	1,757,612		

B.—PROPORTION PER 1,000 OF POPULATION.

Colony.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
MALES.								
Victoria	33.8	25.4	152.4	235.9	199.2	7.5	345.8	1000.0
New South Wales	34.9	33.2	135.3	203.3	217.0	7.7	368.6	1000.0
Queensland	34.0	26.8	131.0	189.1	275.5	1.3	342.3	1000.0
South Australia*	28.9	17.5	147.7	194.5	221.4	5.6	384.4	1000.0
Western Australia	38.5	38.4	159.6	201.4	282.5	5.1	274.5	1000.0
Tasmania	35.2	18.5	106.7	183.7	280.8	3.2	371.9	1000.0
Total Australia	33.9	27.5	141.1	211.1	223.0	6.3	357.1	1000.0
New Zealand	30.5	16.8	122.2	179.3	266.2	4.9	380.1	1000.0
Australasia	33.3	25.8	138.0	205.9	230.0	6.1	360.9	1000.0
FEMALES.								
Victoria	18.0	78.5	17.1	53.1	20.1	24.6	788.6	1000.0
New South Wales	20.1	75.3	9.0	33.9	10.9	10.8	840.0	1000.0
Queensland	17.2	85.1	12.7	30.5	39.9	1.0	813.6	1000.0
South Australia*	17.1	73.6	13.0	36.9	14.6	4.5	840.3	1000.0
Western Australia	17.4	75.8	16.3	20.6	15.9	4.0	850.0	1000.0
Tasmania	17.4	83.4	19.6	26.4	27.3	6.1	819.8	1000.0
Total Australia	18.5	77.8	13.4	40.4	18.9	13.8	817.2	1000.0
New Zealand	19.7	66.4	9.8	38.8	9.2	5.1	851.0	1000.0
Australasia	18.7	76.0	12.8	40.1	17.3	12.3	822.8	1000.0

* Exclusive of Chinese as well as Aborigines in the case of South Australia.

9. OCCUPATIONS OF THE PEOPLE IN THE AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1891 (MIXED SEXES).

(Exclusive of Aborigines* and of those whose occupations were not returned.)

NUMBERS.

Occupations.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.
Ministering to—							
1. Government, law, and order † ...	6,942	7,362	3,610	1,911	605	1,056	3,047
2. Religion, charity, science, &c. ...	22,786	24,129	6,866	5,348	872	2,862	12,774
3. Board, lodging, and attendance	57,530	58,867	20,386	14,001	2,622	7,180	24,928
Dealing in—							
4. Money and real property ...	9,278	7,919	2,926	1,843	423	1,662	3,756
5. Art and mechanic productions	2,532	3,159	592	338	84	275	1,296
6. Textile fabrics, dress, and fibrous articles	6,064	5,822	1,429	1,526	110	587	3,144
7. Food, drinks, groceries, narcotics, and stimulants	14,453	13,802	4,370	3,317	244	1,277	7,035
8. Animals, animal and vegetable substances	4,772	3,143	903	576	89	125	1,495
9. Minerals and metals ...	1,961	1,529	405	374	16	168	846
10. Fuel and light ...	1,665	1,349	66	450	1	196	397
11. General and undefined (merchants, shopkeepers, and clerks)	26,961	18,739	6,789	6,862	1,144	2,032	8,779
12. Engaged in storage ...	390	314	397	568	33	4	1,035
13. Carriers of passengers, goods, letters, and messages	31,474	30,853	13,394	9,895	2,876	3,267	15,413
Workers in—							
14. Art and mechanic productions	21,516	19,117	5,013	6,110	952	1,564	9,672
15. Textile fabrics, dress, and fibrous articles	37,439	24,601	7,415	7,665	437	2,803	19,437
16. Food, drinks, narcotics, and stimulants	7,617	7,923	2,280	1,958	264	815	4,453
17. Animal and vegetable substances	6,683	9,193	2,886	923	595	788	3,563
18. Minerals and metals ...	14,414	12,091	4,059	3,719	509	1,383	5,513
19. Fuel, light, and energy ...	1,025	1,634	142	119	12	107	255
20. Buildings, railways, roads, and earthworks	41,201	39,083	10,767	5,994	1,777	5,166	12,679
21. Undefined mechanical operations (chiefly labourers)	38,544	26,912	14,622	10,423	1,789	3,390	14,949
22. Engaged on land and animals—Agriculturists, pastoralists and graziers, miners, and others	128,934	137,026	67,992	37,864	8,630	23,568	90,546
23. Of independent means ...	17,743	10,223	464	1,578	229	671	3,103
24. Performing household duties and being educated	619,627	643,554	209,546	187,319	24,369	83,463	369,178
25. Dependent on charity or in prison	11,354	12,546	4,470	2,133	432	1,793	4,717
Total of specified occupations	1,132,905	1,120,890	391,789	312,814	49,114	146,202	622,010

* In South Australia the Chinese are excluded as well as the Aborigines.

† Including those Government and municipal officers whose duties were mainly administrative or clerical, or who were returned as civil servants, public or municipal officers, &c., also lawyers and others connected with law.

B.—PROPORTIONS PER 10,000.

Occupations.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.*	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.
1. Ministering to government, law, and order †	6.13	6.56	9.21	6.11	12.32	7.22	4.90
2. Ministering to religion, charity, science, &c.	20.11	21.53	17.52	17.10	17.76	19.58	20.54
3. Ministering to board, lodging, and attendance	50.78	52.52	52.03	44.76	53.39	49.11	40.07
4. Dealing in money and real property	8.19	7.06	7.47	5.89	8.61	11.37	6.04
5. Dealing in art and mechanic productions	2.24	2.82	1.51	1.08	1.71	1.88	2.09
6. Dealing in textile fabrics, dress, and fibrous articles	5.35	5.19	3.65	4.88	2.24	4.02	5.05
7. Dealing in food, drinks, groceries, narcotics, and stimulants	12.76	12.31	11.15	10.60	4.97	8.73	11.31
8. Dealing in animals, animal and vegetable substances	4.21	2.80	2.31	1.84	1.81	.86	2.40
9. Dealing in minerals and metals ...	1.73	1.36	1.03	1.19	.33	1.15	1.36
10. Dealing in fuel and light ...	1.47	1.20	.17	1.44	.02	1.34	.64
11. General undefined dealers, merchants, shopkeepers, clerks ...	23.80	16.72	17.33	21.94	23.29	13.90	14.11
12. Engaged in storage ...	.34	.28	1.01	1.82	.67	.03	1.66
13. Carriers of passengers, goods, letters, and messages ...	27.78	27.52	34.19	31.63	58.56	22.35	24.78
14. Working in art and mechanic productions	18.99	17.06	12.80	19.53	19.38	10.70	15.55
15. Working in textile fabrics, dress, and fibrous articles	33.05	21.95	18.93	24.50	8.90	19.17	31.25
16. Working in food, drinks, narcotics, and stimulants	6.72	7.07	5.82	6.26	5.38	5.57	7.16
17. Working in animal and vegetable substances	5.90	8.20	7.37	2.95	12.12	5.39	5.73
18. Working in minerals and metals...	12.72	10.79	10.36	11.89	10.36	9.46	8.86
19. Working in fuel, light, and energy	.91	1.46	.36	.38	.25	.73	.41
20. Working in buildings, railways, roads, and earthworks	36.37	34.87	27.48	19.16	36.18	35.33	20.39
21. Working in undefined mechanical operations (chiefly labourers) ...	34.02	24.01	37.32	33.32	36.41	23.19	24.03
22. Engaged on land and animals ...	113.81	122.25	173.54	121.04	175.71	161.20	145.57
23. Of independent means ...	15.66	9.12	1.19	5.05	4.66	4.59	4.99
24. Performing household duties (if any) or being educated	546.94	574.15	534.84	598.82	496.17	570.87	593.53
25. Dependent on charity or in prison	10.02	11.20	11.41	6.82	8.80	12.26	7.58
Total	...	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

* In South Australia the Chinese are excluded as well as the Aborigines.

† See footnote to last Table.

APPENDIX B.

MISCELLANEOUS RETURNS.

I. CAPITAL VALUES OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES PROPOSED TO BE HANDED OVER TO A FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

ESTIMATED PRESENT VALUES of Lands, Buildings, Works, &c., appertaining to or used in connexion with the Departments named, 1896.

Departments.	Present Value of Lands, Buildings, &c., in—						Total.
	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Tasmania.	Western Australia.	
Customs* ...	£ 434,028	£ 474,700	£ 194,610	£ 124,125	£ 28,293	£ 60,600	£ 1,316,356
Post and Telegraphs	£ 1,600,717	£ 2,174,630	£ 1,330,900	£ 1,411,301	£ 150,437	£ 644,739	£ 7,312,724
Defences ...	£ 801,868	£ 776,800	£ 102,240	£ 171,300	£ 86,000	£ 46,671	£ 1,984,879
Ocean Light-houses, &c.	£ 184,416	£ 206,681	£ 127,100	£ 141,603	£ 60,000	£ 69,228	£ 789,028
Quarantine ...	£ 26,000	£ 26,000	£ 19,200	£ 23,624	£ 5,500	£ 9,499	£ 109,823
Mint ...	£ 113,172	£ 100,000	...	...	...	£ 55,000	£ 268,172
Total ...	£ 3,160,201	£ 3,758,811	£ 1,774,050	£ 1,871,953	£ 330,230	£ 885,737	£ 11,780,982
Per Head of Population†	£ 2 13s. 10d.	£ 2 18s. od.	£ 3 15s. 2d.	£ 5 5s. 4d.	£ 1 19s. 9d.	£ 6 8s. 5d.	£ 3 8s. 6d.
Interest at 3 per cent.	94,806	112,764	53,221	56,159	9,907	26,572	353,429
Per Head of the Population†	1s. 7d.	1s. 8d.	2s. 3d.	3s. 2d.	1s. 2d.	3s. 10d.	2s. 1d.

NOTE.—Besides the above there were other Departments, the control of which may also be transferred—such as the Observatories, Census, and Statistical Offices, Insolvency Courts, &c., Patent Offices, Navigation and Shipping Departments, &c. No general valuation has been made of the property appertaining to them; but in Victoria an estimate has been made of the land and buildings, but exclusive of equipment, for the following:—Statistical Offices, £12,000 (including land, £2,000); Insolvency, £47,943 (land, £29,000); Patent Office, £6,000 (land, £2,000); Observatory, £34,000 (land, £21,000).

* Including Border Offices—to the value of probably not more than £50,000 for all the colonies. These, however, will not be taken over permanently by the Federal Government.—† On 31st December, 1896.

2. NET IMMIGRATION, DISTINGUISHING STATE ASSISTED FROM UNASSISTED, 1851 TO 1899.

Period and Nature of Migration.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
<i>State Assisted.</i>							
1851-60 ...	87,963	71,649	...	48,905	...	16,636	225,153
1861-70 ...	46,594	18,212	1,617	13,730	...	1,852	82,005
1871-80 ...	5,545	24,412	50,782	25,415	889	477	107,520
1881-90 ...	2	34,079	103,140	7,295	4,552	2,734	151,802
1891-99‡ ...	...	659	3,405	...	1,442	...	5,506
<i>Unassisted (Balance)</i>							
1851-60 ...	309,602	52,390	...	-15,873	6,300	-9,999	342,420
1861-70 ...	-4,805	30,535	66,964	3,330	5,800	-7,035	94,789
1871-80 ...	-20,867	83,124	8,122	19,617	-1,024	-1,247	87,725
1881-90 ...	110,948	130,345*	11,695	-27,570	8,421	3,259	243,098
1891-99§ ...	-47,919	78,684	28,660	-650	107,722	23,379	189,876
<i>Total.</i>							
1851-60 ...	397,565	124,039†	...	33,032	6,300	6,637	567,573
1861-70 ...	41,789	48,747	68,581	17,060	5,800	-5,183	176,794
1871-80 ...	-15,322	107,536	58,904	45,032	-135	-770	195,245
1881-90 ...	116,950	164,424*	114,835	-20,275	12,973	5,993	394,900
1891-99‡ ...	-47,919	79,343	32,065	-650	109,164	23,379	195,382

NOTE.—The minus (—) indicates a net emigration. The figures prior to 1891 are for intercensal periods corrected by the results of the censuses, but those for the period 1891-99 are according to the returns of recorded migration by sea, and cannot be properly corrected until the results of the census of 1901 are known.

* A reduction of 6,637 has been made in these figures, as an allowance for aborigines enumerated at the census of 1891, but omitted from that of 1881.—† The figures relating to Queensland for the period 1851-60 are included with those of New South Wales.—‡ In 1899, the only State assisted immigrants were 9 into New South Wales and 49 into Western Australia. For particulars relating to each previous year, see issues of these statistics for 1898 and 1893.—§ By sea, as recorded for 8½ years, and liable to future correction after the results of the census of 1901 are published.

3. OVERLAND MIGRATION BY RAIL, 1891 TO 1899.

Year.	Victoria.		New South Wales.		Queensland.		South Australia.	
	Arrivals.	Departures.	Arrivals.	Departures.	Arrivals.	Departures.	Arrivals.	Departures.
1891 (9 months)	46,060*	44,991*	50,775	49,685	6,497	5,936	30,496†	32,450†
1892 ...	55,242	54,072	62,050	62,734	8,965	8,715	40,150	37,203
1893 ...	44,471	43,981	45,175	49,207	6,656	6,076	31,898	26,932
1894 ...	42,134	41,304	42,809	45,442	6,347	6,078	27,931	25,713
1895 ...	45,643	44,040	52,795	57,125	6,475	5,740	29,182	26,188
1896 ...	55,775	54,916	58,860	57,690	8,182	8,370	36,181	35,177
1897 ...	57,523	55,645	64,863	66,297	9,495	9,719	38,895	39,289
1898 ...	51,485	51,670	63,582	65,708	10,530	10,030	39,232	38,192
1899 ...	57,424	52,959	65,439	70,603	12,699	12,319	39,923	39,924
Total ...	455,757	443,578	506,348	524,491	75,846	72,983	313,888	301,068

NOTE.—If the figures were correct the grand total of the arrivals would balance the grand total of the departures, as the departures from one colony ought to be counterbalanced by the arrivals in other colonies. Over the whole period, however, there is a discrepancy of 9,719—the arrivals (as shown) being in excess of the departures by that number.

* These numbers represent three-fourths of the total for the year 1891.

† Estimated, assuming the same proportion between sea and overland migration for the 9 months as existed for the full year.

4. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF FOUR LEADING FEDERATIONS.

(000's omitted.)

Heads of Revenue and Expenditure.	United States, 1896-7.	Canada, 1897.	Germany, 1897-8.	Switzerland, 1897.
ORDINARY REVENUE.				
Customs	36,782,	4,144,	18,624,	1,700,
Excise	29,302,	1,887,	14,033,	...
National Bank Tax	411,			
Business Licences	1,220,	6,	3,094,	...
Stamps ... ... ...	...		
Land Sales	356,	36,	...	...
Government Railways ... ... ...	...	...	3,522,	13,
Posts and Telegraphs	17,222, *	898, *	15,734,	1,468, *
Interest on Investments	196,	301,	...	...
State Contributions ... ... ...	...	...	21,773,	...
Coinage	1,508,	...		
Customs Fees, Fines, &c.	122,	4,		
Consular, Land, and Patents Fees	600,	23,		
Other Fees, Fines, &c.	24,	2,		
Other Sources	1,920, †	894, †	2,977,	218,
Total	89,663,	8,195,	79,757,	3,399,

* Postal service only.

† Including £743,000 from Federal Territory (District of Columbia), and £475,000 towards Railway Sinking Fund.

‡ Including £747,000 from Public Works.

5. GENERAL REVENUE, 1874-5 AND 1898-9.

Sources.	Victoria.		New South Wales.		South Australia.	
	1874-5.	1898-9.	1874.	1898-9.	1874.	1898-9.
£						
Railways	921,714	2,849,370	536,575	3,513,492	144,589	1,069,642
Posts and Telegraphs	198,326	553,672	163,743	755,968	74,067	254,875
Taxation—Customs and Excise ...	1,660,710	2,268,174	1,200,489	1,608,116	377,764	629,228
" Other	64,112	817,631		906,372	13,557	313,694
Crown Lands—Sales	767,031	287,643	1,163,572	1,200,631	243,022	34,147
" Occupation	179,722	121,009	262,594	744,916	69,178	140,990
Other services	378,085	499,445	187,341	843,417	81,643	288,632
Total	4,169,700	7,396,944	3,514,314	9,572,912	1,003,820	2,731,208
Population	783,274	1,175,463	564,388	1,346,240	201,349	367,800
Revenue per head ... £	5.3	6.3	6.2	7.1	5.0	7.4

6. ORDINARY EXPENDITURE, 1874-5 AND 1898-9.

Heads.	Victoria.		New South Wales.		South Australia.	
	1874-5.	1898-9.	1874.	1898-9.	1874.	1898-9.
£						
Railways (working expenses) ...	437,931	1,703,196	243,792	1,953,324	137,661	624,093
Interest on debt	719,282	1,879,148	571,400	2,262,214	140,887	969,889
Posts and Telegraphs	357,890	514,500	228,991	694,862	87,752	213,384
Customs and Excise	57,364	66,290	39,900	53,774	10,612	25,426
Defence	53,507	197,585	65,242	247,079	833	32,405
Maintenance of law and order ...	431,756	470,374	309,672	652,732	84,759	124,336
Public Instruction, Science, &c. ...	596,102	605,875	151,361	750,119	30,358	158,411
Other	1,664,289	1,677,738	1,233,188	2,789,133	558,760	629,670
Total	4,318,121	7,114,706	2,843,546	9,403,237	1,051,622	2,777,614
Population	783,274	1,175,463	564,388	1,346,240	201,349	367,800
Expenditure per head ... £	5.5	6.1	5.0	7.0	5.2	7.5

7. RATES OF CUSTOMS DUTIES ON PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES (EXCEPT NEW ZEALAND), DECEMBER, 1899.

Articles.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.
<i>Alcoholic Liquors and Materials therefor.</i>						
Spirits ...	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
" Methylated ...	12 0	14 0	14 0	15 0	16 0	15 0
" Perfumed ...	1 0	0 1	5 0	4 0	2 0	3 0
Wine—Still ...	24 0	20 0	20 0	25 0	...	24 0
" Sparkling ...	8 0	5 0	6 0	12 0*	6 6	8 0
Beer—Bottled ...	12 0	10 0	10 0	15 0	10 0	10 0
" Draught ...	{ 1 3 and 1 6 }	0 9	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6
Hops ...	0 10	0 6	1 3	1 2	1 3	1 0
Malt ...	0 8	Nil	0 8	0 6	0 4	0 3
<i>Narcotics.</i>						
Tobacco—						
Manufactured ...	3 0	3 0	4 0	2 9	3 0	3 0
Unmanufactured ...	1 0	1 0†	2 0	1 7½	1 10½	3 0
Cigars and Cigarettes ...	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 3	6 0	7 0
Snuff ...	3 0	3 0	5 0	6 0	6 0	7 0
Opium ...	20 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	30 0	20 0
<i>Foods and Non-alcoholic Beverages.</i>						
Sugar—Raw ...	5 9	3 0§	5 0	Nil	{ 6 0	
" Refined ...	6 6†	4 0§	6 8	Nil	{ 6 0	
" Beet ...	12 0	Not specified	Not specified	3 0	Not specified	
Fruits—Bottled ...	3 0	Nil	1 6	2 0	15%	3 9
" Dried (including Currants and Raisins) ...	{ 0 3	{ 0 2†	0 3	{ 0 3 0 2**	{ 0 2	
Fruits—						
Oranges and Lemons ...	0 9	Nil	Nil	1 0	10%	1 0
Unenumerated ...	1 6	Nil	Nil	0 4	0 2	...
Pulp ...	0 3	0 0½	0 0½	0 4	0 2	...
Vegetables—						
Fresh ...	Nil	Nil	25%	...	15%	
Bottled ...	3 0	"	25%	...	...	20%
Dried and Preserved ...	0 3	"	25%	0 2	10%	
Tea ...	0 3	0 1	0 6	0 3	Nil	0 3
Grain and Pulse—						
Wheat ...	2 11	Nil	0 6½	2 0	0 10	
Oats ...	3 0	"	1 8	2 0	0 10	
Barley ...	3 0	"	1 6	3 0	0 8	1 6
Maize ...	2 11	"	1 2½	1 0	0 10½	
Beans and Peas ...	2 11	"	1 8	Nil	0 10	
Grain, Prepared—						
Flour ...	5 0	"	1 0	2 0	1 6	2 0
Bran ...	5 0	"	1 8	2 0	1 0	0 10
Pollard ...	5 0	"	1 8	2 0	1 0	0 10
Rice—						
Dressed ...	6 0	{ n	8 4	2 8	Nil	8 4
" in bond ...	4 0	{ n	8 4	2 8	Nil	8 4
Butter ...	0 2	"	0 3	0 2	0 2	0 2
Cheese ...	0 3	"	0 4	0 4	0 2	0 2
Fish—						
Fresh ...	Nil	"	Nil	...	15%	Nil
Preserved ...	0 2	"	0 2	0 2	0 1	20%
Salted ...	5 0	"	9 4	9 4	9 4	20%
Salt ...	20 0	"	Nil	25 0	20 0	30 0
" Rock ...	Nil	"	"	Nil	5%	Nil
Coffee ...	0 3	"	0 6	0 4	0 3	0 4
" Raw ...	Nil	"	0 4	0 3	Nil	0 2
Chicory ...	0 3	"	0 6	0 6	0 3	0 4
Cocoa, Raw ...	Nil	"	15%	Nil	Nil	0 4
" and Chocolate ...	0 3	"	0 4	0 3	"	
Textile Fabrics and Dress††	...	8 5%	n	10 9%	9 0%	13 0%
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>						
Live Stock—						
Horses ...	...	each	Nil	n	Nil	40 0
Cattle ...	...	"	30 0	"	20 0	15 0
Sheep ...	...	"	2 0	"	1 0	1 3
Pigs ...	...	"	10 0	"	5 0	2 0
Machinery and Implements††	...	7 1%	n	2 9%	6 9%	5 2%
						5 3%

* If not containing more than 35 per cent. of proof spirit.

† If entered for home manufacture; otherwise 3s.

‡ Including glucose and refined molasses; raw molasses is charged only 2s.

§ Molasses and treacle, 2s.; solid glucose, 3s.; and liquid glucose, 2s. per cwt.

|| Molasses charged 3s. 6d. per cwt.

¶ Exclusive of dates.

** Currants only.

†† Calculated on the gross value of imports (dutiable and free) of these articles and the gross amount of duty received thereon. If drawbacks and refunds were deducted, the proportions would be somewhat lower, especially in Victoria.

RATES OF CUSTOMS DUTIES ON PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES (EXCEPT NEW ZEALAND), DECEMBER, 1899—continued.

Articles.				Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.
<i>Miscellaneous—continued.</i>				s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Timber—									
Boards	...	...	...	per 100 sup. ft.	1 6	Nil	1 6	Un-worked,	5 0
Deals	...	...	...	"	"	"	2 6*	10% worked,	10% Nil
Undressed	...	...	...	"	"		Nil	20%	
Medicines	...	...	...		25%				
Drugs and Chemicals—									
Ammonia, Carbonate of	...	...	per lb.	0 2					
" Liquid	...	...	...	Nil					
Gelatine	...	...	per lb.	0 6	"	Nil and 25%	Nil, 10% and 20%	15%	20%
Glycerine, Pure	...	...	"	0 1 1/2					
" Crude	...	...	"	0 1/2					
Unenumerated	...	...	...	Nil					
Oils—									
Castor (in bulk)	...	...	per gall.	0 6	"	Nil and 1 0	0 6	15%	20%
Chinese	...	...	"	0 6	"	0 6	"	"	...
Cocoanut	...	...	"	Nil	"	Nil	"	"	Nil
Cod Liver	...	...	"	"	"	1 0	"	5%	"
Kerosene	...	...	"	"	"	0 6	0 3	Nil	0 6
Linseed	...	...	"	0 6	"	1 0	0 6	15%	20%
Unenumerated	...	...	...	0 6	"	1 0	0 6	Nil and 15%	1 3
Hay and Chaff	...	...	per ton	Nil	"	15 0	10%	30 0	20%
Soap—									
Common	...	...	per lb.	0 2	"	0 1	0 1	0 0 3	0 1
Perfumed	...	...	"	0 4	"	0 3	0 4	20%	0 3
Candles	...	...	"	0 1	0 0 1	0 2	0 2	0 2	0 2
Cement	...	...	per cwt.	1 0	Nil	2 0†	2 0†	2 0†	0 9
Matches and Vestas	...	...	per gross	Nil, 6d., 1s., and 1s. 3d.	"	Nil and 25%	1s. and 10%	15%	20%
Furniture and Upholstery	...	...	...	30%	"	25%	25%	20%	20%
Bottles	...	...	per doz.	{ 0 3 { 0 6	"	Free	15%	15%	{ Free 20%

* Per 40 cubic feet.

† Per barrel.

7A. RATES OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DUTY ON SPIRITS, BEER, AND TOBACCO, DECEMBER, 1899.

Article.	Victoria.		New South Wales.		Queensland.		South Australia.	
	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.
Spirits ... per proof gallon	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Beer, in wood ... per gallon	12 0	10 0*	14 0	14 0	14 0	12 0	15 0	9 4
" in bottle ... "	0 10		0 6		1 3	0 3	1 2	0 2
" Lager ... "	1 3		0 9		1 6	0 3	1 6	0 2
Tobacco, Manufactured per lb.	1 6	0 2	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Cigars ... "	3 0	0 9	3 0	1 3	4 0	1 0	2 9	...
" Cigarettes ... "	6 0		6 0	2 6	6 0	2 0	6 3	...
" Unmanufactured ... "	1 0	...	1 0	2 6	6 0	2 0	1 7 1/2	...
" Snuff ... "	3 0	0 9	3 0	...	5 0	1 0	6 0	...

Article.	Western Australia.		Tasmania.		New Zealand.	
	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.	Import Duty.	Excise Duty.
Spirits ... per proof gallon	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Beer, in wood ... per gallon	16 0	...	15 0	...	16 0	...
" in bottle ... "	1 3		1 6	0 4	2 0	0 3
" Lager ... "	1 6		...	...	...	...
Tobacco, Manufactured per lb.	3 0	...	3 0	...	3 6	1 0
" Cigars ... "	6 0	...	7 0	...	7 0	1 6
" Cigarettes ... "	6 0	...	7 0	...	7 0 8	1 6 1/2
" Unmanufactured ... "	1 10 1/2	...	3 0	...	2 0	...
" Snuff ... "	6 0	...	7 0	...	7 0	1 6

* Excluding grape brandy and pure malt whisky, which are only 8s.

† If manufactured from malt and hops, 2d.

‡ Imposed about 18th August, 1898.

§ The exact rate is " 17s. 6d. per 1,000, if weight does not exceed 2 1/2 lbs.; and for all weight in excess of 2 1/2 lbs. per 1,000, 6d. per oz."

|| If made by machinery, 2s. 6d. per lb.

8. TAXATION BY CUSTOMS IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1893 TO 1899.

Colony.	Net Revenue from Customs Duties*—						
	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
Victoria ...	£ 1,585,252	£ 1,758,391	£ 1,717,480	£ 1,749,048	£ 1,729,130	£ 1,908,051	£ 1,904,105
New South Wales ...	2,062,770	2,006,973	1,972,944	1,367,432†	1,239,084	1,250,290	1,335,195
Queensland ...	1,070,269	1,113,160	1,243,526	1,270,305	1,162,384	1,287,757	1,434,542
South Australia ...	540,210	525,297	516,195	574,661	576,182	559,391	570,546
Western Australia ...	247,612	398,614	596,579	988,829	1,062,117	896,620	833,158
Tasmania ...	296,857	299,133	304,410	328,918	350,948	405,618	424,490
Australia	5,802,970	6,101,568	6,351,134	6,279,193	6,119,845	6,329,761	6,502,036
New Zealand ...	1,670,254	1,577,759	1,631,091	1,774,308	1,922,709	1,975,964	2,058,880
Australasia ...	7,473,224	7,679,327	7,982,225	8,053,501	8,042,554	8,273,726	8,560,916
Per Head of Population.							
Victoria ...	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales ...	1 7 1	1 9 11	1 9 1	1 9 9	1 9 5	1 12 7	1 12 10
Queensland ...	1 14 1	1 12 5	1 11 2	1 1 3†	0 18 10	0 18 9	0 19 10
South Australia ...	2 10 2	2 10 9	2 14 11	2 14 6	2 8 7	2 12 3	3 0 4
Western Australia ...	1 11 8	1 10 1	1 9 3	1 12 0	1 11 10	1 10 9	1 11 5
Tasmania ...	3 19 3	5 7 3	6 11 10	8 1 11	6 16 5	5 5 11	4 18 8
Australia	1 18 7	1 18 4	1 18 3	2 0 3	2 1 6	2 6 6	2 7 3
New Zealand ...	1 14 6	1 15 7	1 16 4	1 15 1	1 13 7	1 14 2	1 15 2
Australasia ...	2 10 6	2 6 6	2 7 1	2 10 3	2 13 3	2 13 8	2 14 11
	1 17 1	1 17 5	1 18 1	1 17 7	1 16 10	1 17 3	1 18 8
Percentage of—							
Total Taxation.							
	1893.		1899.		1893.		1899.
Victoria ...	62.84		61.70		11.93		10.61
New South Wales ...	74.14		53.10		11.39		5.22
Queensland ...	80.14		81.96		24.59		21.21
South Australia ...	70.17		62.87		6.71		8.29
Western Australia ...	84.41		89.30		16.57		18.62
Tasmania ...	74.27		77.53		28.07		24.00
Australia	71.61		66.53		12.52		10.23
New Zealand ...	70.98		76.05		24.16		23.56
Australasia ...	71.46		68.60		14.03		11.84

* Cost of collection not deducted.—† In New South Wales a Free-trade Tariff came into operation in 1896.

9. CUSTOMS TAXATION ON IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1899.

Colony.	Value of Imports for Home Consumption (Approximate).						
	Alcoholic Liquors.*	Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	Other Dutiable Goods.	All Dutiable Goods.	Free Goods.		Total.
					Amounts.	Per cent.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Victoria ...	361,318	150,152	4,914,894	5,426,364	7,997,348	59.6	13,423,714
New South Wales ...	728,914	216,636	1,132,700	2,078,250	14,292,453	87.3	16,370,703
Queensland ...	284,577	129,625	3,976,138	4,390,340	2,128,038	32.6	6,518,378
South Australia ...	80,870	40,857	1,796,093	1,917,820	523,187	21.4	2,441,007
West Australia ...	210,560	89,906	2,756,704	3,057,170	1,224,666	28.6	4,281,836
Tasmania ...	47,933	37,365	1,266,653	1,351,951	397,213	22.7	1,749,164
New Zealand ...	306,491	184,173	5,144,429	5,635,093	2,965,945	34.5	8,601,038
Total ...	2,020,663	848,714	20,987,611	23,856,988	29,528,850	55.3	53,385,840
Amount of Duties collected (Net).							
Victoria ...	471,246	245,139	1,187,720	1,904,105	...	...	1,904,105
New South Wales ...	791,995	295,779	247,421	1,335,195	...	...	1,335,195
Queensland ...	357,816	211,353	865,373	1,434,542	...	...	1,434,542
South Australia ...	106,475	69,918	394,153	570,546	...	...	570,546
West Australia ...	263,257	130,716	439,185	833,158	...	...	833,158
Tasmania ...	76,198	62,493	285,799	424,490	...	...	424,490
New Zealand ...	464,034	347,006	1,230,962	2,042,002	...	...	2,042,002
Total ...	2,531,021	1,362,404	4,650,613	8,544,038	...	...	8,544,038
Percentage Duty collected to Value of Articles.							
Victoria ...	130	163	24	35	...	...	14.2
New South Wales ...	109	137	22	64	...	...	8.2
Queensland ...	126	163	22	33	...	...	22.0
South Australia ...	132	171	22	30	...	...	23.4
West Australia ...	125	145	16	27	...	...	19.5
Tasmania ...	159	168	23	31	...	...	24.3
New Zealand ...	151	188	24	36	...	...	23.7
Total ...	125	161	22	36	...	...	16.0

* Spirits, beer, and wine.

10. PRINCIPAL GROUPS OF ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALASIA, 1899.

Class of Articles.	Fit for immediate Consumption.		Requiring further Manufacture.		Total.	
	Primary Products.	Manufactured Articles.	Primary Products.	Partly-manufactured Articles.		
IMPORTS.						
Foods—						
Stimulants	2,117,368	...	2,117,368	
Narcotics	...	957,124	137,826	...	1,094,950	
Tea	...	1,303,952	...	...	1,303,952
Sugar	...	771,898	1,389,347	...	2,161,245	
Other*	...	3,980,490	2,712,533	560,910	7,253,933	
Textile Fabrics and Dress	...	10,392,840	...	3,361,370	13,754,210	
Railway Materials, &c.	...	751,431	...	...	751,431
Metals, Minerals, &c.	...	5,310,416	326,274	3,019,053	8,055,743	
Precious Metals	...	6,686,044	1,690,749	...	8,376,793	
Ceramics	...	665,414	...	...	665,414
Heat, Light, and Energy	...	614,263	...	...	1,370,661
Books, &c.	...	1,041,125	...	...	1,041,125
Other Articles Classified	...	1,080,375	2,693,861	6,449,055	12,432,863	
Total Classified	...	7,121,215	34,714,317	10,554,161	60,979,688	
Unclassified Articles	11,330,345	
Grand Total	72,310,033	
EXPORTS.						
Foods—						
Wine	...	167,394	...	...	167,394
Narcotics	...	195,935	16,872	...	212,807	
Sugar	...	1,262,292	388,981	...	1,651,273	
Other*	...	6,608,163	3,578,641	2,215,636	12,402,440	
Textile Fabrics and Dress	...	1,164,885	...	...	1,380,202
Precious Metals	...	19,762,339	3,441,443	215,317	23,203,782	
Wool, Hides and Skins, Tallow, Leather	32,196,456	33,115,583	
Shells and Kauri Gum	903,937	...	903,937	
Other Articles Classified	...	1,763,816	343,067	2,833,786	5,001,723	
Total Classified	...	8,371,979	26,474,553	41,997,111	78,039,141	
Unclassified Articles	10,965,461	
Grand Total	89,004,602	

* Principal kinds only.

11. PROPORTION OF ARTICLES CONSUMED, WHICH WERE LOCALLY PRODUCED IN EACH COLONY, 1899.

Article	Percentage of Quantity consumed.					
	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania
Spirits	...	23	1	14	39	—
Beer	...	96	88	91	96	86
Wine	...	98	91	72	99	68
Tobacco	...	58	78	42	—	—
Sugar	...	2	20	99	—	—
Wheat	...	100	81	20	100	58

NOTE.—None of the Colonies produced tea. The only important changes in the proportions which occurred since 1896 are as follows:—
 Victoria, tobacco increased from 51 to 58; New South Wales, tobacco increased from 63 to 78, and wheat from 60 to 81 (in 1900 it was 100), but sugar reduced from 34 to 20; Queensland, wheat increased from 5 to 20, but wine reduced from 80 to 72; South Australia, spirits reduced from 45 to 39; Western Australia beer increased from 69 to 86, wine from 45 to 68, and wheat from 17 to 58; Tasmania, wheat increased from 92 to 100.

12. PRESENT VALUE OF DEBENTURES AND STOCK REPRESENTING THE FUNDED DEBT OF THE AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES ON THE 30TH JUNE, 1898.

(Assuming the effective rate of interest to be 3 per cent.)

Colony.	Present Value of Debentures and Stock if converted into 3 per cent. (par.) Stock.			
	Amount of—		Average per Head.	
	Principal.	Interest, 3 per cent.	Principal.	Interest.
Victoria ...	£ 51,479,641	£ 1,544,389	£ 44 0 5	£ 1 6 5
New South Wales ...	66,594,300	1,997,829	49 17 1	1 9 11
Queensland ...	37,853,169	1,135,595	76 13 5	2 6 0
South Australia ...	27,016,809	810,504	74 15 4	2 4 10
Western Australia ...	9,721,920	291,658	56 17 3	1 14 1
Total ...	192,665,839	5,779,975	54 11 2	1 12 9
Tasmania ...	8,590,344	257,710	49 13 3	1 9 10
New Zealand ...	51,925,812	1,557,774	70 15 9	2 2 6
Grand Total ...	253,181,995	7,595,459	57 1 0	1 14 3

NOTE.—The above is the result of an actuarial calculation, in which the different nominal rates of interest and currencies of the loans of each colony have been taken into account. The effective rate of interest has been assumed at 3 per cent., although at present it is somewhat higher. This table presents a true comparison of the existing permanent indebtedness of the various colonies.

13. RELATIVE INDEBTEDNESS OF AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES ON 30TH JUNE, 1898.

(Victorian Debt = 100.)

Colony.	Based on the—	
	(a) Nominal Debt per Head.	(b) Present Value of Debt Securities per Head.
1. Victoria ...	100	100
2. Tasmania ...	112	113
3. New South Wales ...	113	113
4. Western Australia ...	134	129
5. New Zealand ...	152	161
6. South Australia ...	167	170
7. Queensland ...	169	174

14. INTEREST SAVED IN 50 YEARS BY RENEWAL OF AUSTRALIAN STATE GOVERNMENT LOANS EXISTING ON 30TH JUNE, 1898, BY 3 PER CENT. STOCK AT PAR ON MATURITY.

(a) Colonies as a whole.

Period (quinquennial) when Loans mature.	Loans outstanding on 30th June, 1898.	Annual Interest.		Annual Saving by substitution of 3 per cent. Stock at Maturity.
		Now payable.	At uniform Rate of 3 per cent.	
Prior to 1901 ...	£ 5,323,250	£ 216,867	£ 159,697	£ 57,170
1901 to 1905 ...	12,219,550	542,124	369,034	173,090
1906 to 1910 ...	18,847,200	745,078	570,498	174,580
1911 to 1915 ...	31,980,322	1,192,410	959,410	233,000
1916 to 1920 ...	42,029,628	1,560,029	1,260,889	299,140
1921 to 1925 ...	43,589,968	1,618,799	1,307,699	311,100
1926 to 1930 ...	4,972,400	161,172	149,172	12,000
1931 to 1935 ...	16,158,394	600,752	484,752	116,000
1936 to 1940 ...	3,052,700	106,941	91,581	15,360
1941 to 1945 ...	2,000,000	65,000	60,000	5,000
1946 to 1950 ...	1,724,480	56,734	51,734	5,000
Annual drawings* ...	251,000	...	...	...
Permanent ...	573,889	17,217	17,217	...
Total ...	182,722,781	6,883,123	5,481,683	1,401,440

Note.—Cost of flotation of new loans not taken into account. In all cases the earliest period of repayment has been taken. For particulars for each individual year see *Australasian Statistics* 1897, pp. 22 to 24.

* The loans repayable by annual drawings in Western Australia have been reckoned as falling due on following mean dates:—4½ per cents. in 1905, and 4 per cents. in 1907.

INTEREST SAVED IN 50 YEARS BY RENEWAL OF AUSTRALIAN STATE GOVERNMENT LOANS, &c.—continued.

(b) Annual Saving in each Colony.

Periods when Loans mature.	Victoria.	New South Wales.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Prior to 1901	15,000	15,370	...	15,350	9,400	2,050	57,170
1901 to 1905	109,000	42,800	...	11,230	5,490	4,570	173,090
1906 to 1910	60,000	53,450	...	55,590	2,490	3,050	174,580
1911 to 1915	68,600	40,400	72,500	7,440	20,660	23,400	233,000
1916 to 1920	70,000	64,100	58,500	89,490	1,900	15,150	299,140
1921 to 1925	90,000	82,500	106,000	17,270	180	15,150	311,100
1926 to 1930	...	...	9,300	2,000	...	700	12,000
1931 to 1935	...	...	97,000	9,300	15,360	9,700	116,000
1936 to 1940	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,360
1941 to 1945	...	...	5,000	...	...	...	5,000
1946 to 1948	...	...	5,000	...	...	...	5,000
Total ...	412,600	395,620	265,600	213,730	49,820	64,070	1,401,440
Annual saving at end of—							
1910 ...	184,000	111,620	...	82,170	17,380	9,670	404,840
1920 ...	322,600	216,120	131,000	179,100	39,940	48,220	936,980
1930 ...	412,600	298,620	246,300	198,370	40,120	64,070	1,260,080
1940 ...	412,600	395,620	255,600	213,730	49,820	64,070	1,391,440
Aggregate saving in 50 years	14,894,000	11,666,600	7,259,800	6,932,360	1,767,630	2,131,540	44,651,930
Average per annum	297,880	233,332	145,196	138,647	35,353	42,631	893,039
Percentage of total debt	63	38	43	57	38	55	49
Nominal rate, 30th June, 1898	3.88	3.66	3.79	3.92	3.54	3.82	3.78
Average rate during next 50 years	3.25	3.28	3.36	3.35	3.16	3.27	3.29

NOTE.—Cost of flotation of new loans not taken into account. It will be noticed that the eventual saving is equal to more than 20 per cent. of the interest now payable. It would be still greater if the rate of interest should fall below 3 per cent.

15. HIGHEST OFFICIAL PRICES OF AUSTRALIAN STOCK RECORDED IN LONDON DURING THE YEAR 1900.

Colony.	Stock.				Highest Price quoted.	
	Interest.		Due Date (earliest.)	Amount issued in millions to 30/6/1900.	Gross.	Net (less accrued Interest.)*
	Rate %.	When payable.				
Victoria ...	4	April and October	1920	6	111 ³ ₄	109.75
	3 ¹ ₂	January and July	1911	2	108	106.00
New South Wales ...	4	" "	1921	5	105 ³ ₄	104.00
	3 ¹ ₂	January and July	1933	10	117 ³ ₄	115.75
Queensland ...	3	April and October	1924	16 ¹ ₂	107	105.25
	4	March and September	1918	13	105 ⁷ ₈	104.12
South Australia ...	3	April and October	1935	5 ¹ ₂	101	99.50
	4	January and July	1915	12	113 ¹ ₂	111.25
Western Australia ...	3 ¹ ₂	" "	1924	8	106	104.25
	3	" "	1930	4 ³ ₄	108	106.25
Tasmania ...	4	April and October	1945	2	108	106.25
	3 ¹ ₂	January and July	1916	3 ¹ ₂	111 ¹ ₂	109.50
South Australia ...	3 ¹ ₂	January and July	1939	3	107 ³ ₄	106.00
	3	" "	1916	4 ² ₃	97 ¹ ₄	95.75
Western Australia ...	4	15th January and 15th July	1934	1	116 ³ ₄	114.75
	3 ¹ ₂	April and October	1911	2	107 ³ ₄	105.75
Tasmania ...	3	May and November	1915	0 ³ ₄	104 ¹ ₂	102.75
	4	" "	1915	3 ³ ₄	96	94.50
Tasmania ...	3 ¹ ₂	June and December	1916	1	96	94.50
	4	January and July	1920	1 ¹ ₄	112 ¹ ₂	110.50
	3 ¹ ₂	" "	1920	3 ¹ ₂	105 ¹ ₂	103.75

* Assumed to be six months' interest.

15A. INTEREST RETURN TO INVESTORS IN AUSTRALIAN STOCKS ON HIGHEST PRICES QUOTED IN 1900.

Colony.	Return per £100*, invested in—						Average.	
	4 per Cents.		3 ¹ ₂ per Cents.		3 per Cents.			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.		
Victoria ...	3	6	11	3	4	8	3 5 9	
New South Wales ...	3	4	7	3	3	11	3 3 0	
Queensland ...	3	4	0	3	5	1	3 4 6	
South Australia ...	3	5	0	3	4	7	3 5 6	
Western Australia ...	3	6	7	3	5	4	3 7 1	
Tasmania ...	3	5	9	3	4	11	3 5 4	

* Based on highest quotations during year.

16. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, PORTS, HARBORS, AND LIGHTS, 1895-6.

(a) Revenue.

Heads of Revenue and Expenditure.	Victoria.			New South Wales.*		Queensland.*		South Australia.*		Western Australia.	Tasmania.	New Zealand.		
	Government.	Melbourne Harbor Trust.†	Total.	Government.						Marine Boards.	Government.	Harbor Trusts, &c.	Total.	
Wharfage Rates, &c. ...	30,703	102,843	133,546	£	39,191‡	1,688	£	2,645§	£	2,907	£	11,180	£	28,443
Harbor Dues (Removal Dues) ...	...	...	...	...	5,262	59,340	549	...	...	2,909	...	...	...	28,443
Tonnage ...	17,331	...	17,331	...	15,206‡	1,673	...	...	...	11,728	...	...	...	266,377
Light Rates ...	...	...	...	...	24,794	...	22,348	144||	...	4,625	15,995	248,748	248,748	266,377
Pilotage ...	83 ||	...	83	...	34,286	6,719	144||	...	...	1,350	1,634	...	57,129	57,129
Miscellaneous ¶ ...	4,930	21,566	26,496	...	3,561	1,667	1,229	...	...	9,080	...	57,129	57,129	57,129
Total Revenue ...	53,047	124,409	177,456	£	122,300	71,087**	26,915	14,635	29,144	17,629	334,320	351,949	351,949	351,949

(b) Expenditure.

	From Revenue. a			From Loans.		From Revenue.		From Loans.		From Revenue.		From Revenue.		From Revenue.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Harbors and Rivers, Improvement and Maintenance ...	33,928	22,307	76,390	134,569	33,888	9,644	16,925	11,435	...	4,846 b	11,010 b	...	259,527 b	259,527	259,527
Dredging ...	...	...	...	15,088	103,726	...	...	...	...	6,602 b	...	...	...	...	...
Wharfs and Approaches ...	...	20,155	42,667	5,203	...	537	1,836	...	15,588 b	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shipping Masters ...	...	...	...	2,551	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Marine Board ...	3,225	3,225	...	40,115 d	...	3,989	...	...	...	3,510	7,256	...	21,711 b	21,711	21,711
Coast Light-houses, &c. ...	9,370 b	...	9,370	330	10,751	...	32,612 b	...	...	...	292	21,711 b	...	21,711	21,711
Harbor, River, and Inland Water Lights, &c. ...	6,709 c	...	6,709	654	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boats and Vessels ...	912	912	...	...	...	...	1,055	2,192	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Interest on Loans ...	11,022	93,902	104,924	134,794	...	78,424	...	46,473	22,514	2,522	36,000	191,500	227,500	227,500	227,500
Other ...	...	8,952	...	...	...	3,333	...	...	1,262	...	...	...	...	...	...
	65,166	145,316	210,482	192,654	331,682	9,644	135,820	13,271	63,116	34,324	27,682	57,711	451,027	508,738	508,738

NOTE.—The above is only an approximate statement, extracted chiefly from published returns. Information on special forms, although applied for, was only furnished for two or three colonies.

* No information was available respecting private wharfs and jetties, believed to exist in New South Wales and South Australia.

† Exclusive of one-fifth of the gross receipts—paid to Government, and included in the preceding column.

‡ "Wharfage rates" include £31,191, rents from private wharfs, &c., which are exempted from tonnage dues.

§ Including jetty tolls and licences, £1,711.

|| In Victoria and South Australia, all but about 3½ per cent of the pilotage rates are paid direct to pilots. The gross amount in Victoria was about £2,370.

¶ Including "Marine Board"—£2,030 in Victoria, £1,917 in New South Wales, and £599 in Queensland; also steamer certificate fees and lighter licences £1,121, and dredging at private wharfs, £517 in New South Wales; shipping master, £1,068 in Queensland; mercantile marine £527, and surveys and certificates £610 in South Australia.

** The figures of revenue for Queensland are for the year 1896, and include £52,382 harbor dues paid into a Trust Fund. The expenditure also includes the expenditure from that fund.

a Chiefly on maintenance. There was no loan expenditure. Expenditure by the Public Works Department, amounting to £25,748, is included.

b Including payments towards construction as follow:—£456 in Victoria, £245 in Queensland, £1,129 in South Australia, £2,240 in Western Australia, £1,813 for harbors and £2,145 for wharfs in Tasmania, and £104,122 for harbors and £6,067 for lights in New Zealand.

c Including buoys and beacons for navigation and anchorage purposes £2,113, and wharf, jetty, and river lights £1,153.

d Exclusive of light-houses.

17. ORDINARY REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF CHIEF LOCAL BODIES OR CORPORATIONS IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1898.

Colony.	Revenue of—				Total.
	Municipalities.	Harbor and River Trusts or Boards.	City Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage.		
Victoria	£ 1,100,333	£ 132,948	£ 168,553		£ 1,401,834
New South Wales	720,895	...	...		720,895
Queensland	386,957	...	53,040		439,997
South Australia	266,118	...	...		266,118
Total	2,474,303	132,948	221,593		2,828,844
Tasmania	134,692	39,531	...		174,223
New Zealand	1,072,461	409,668	18,891		1,501,020
Grand Total ...	3,681,456	582,147	240,484		4,504,087
Ordinary Expenditure.					
Victoria	1,173,039*	137,909	281,421†		1,592,369
New South Wales	838,868	...	...		838,868
Queensland	506,137*	...	55,486		561,623
South Australia	272,735*	...	...		272,735
Total	2,790,779	137,909	336,907		3,265,595
Tasmania	147,012	33,114	...		180,126
New Zealand	1,230,199*	397,415	20,039		1,647,653
Grand Total ...	4,167,990	568,438	356,946		5,093,374

NOTE.—The figures relate to financial years terminating in 1898; they differ for various kinds of local bodies.

* Including loan expenditure—£39,241 in Victoria; not stated in other cases.

† Including £93,701 interest paid on account of Government loans.

18. SOURCES OF MUNICIPAL REVENUE IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES, 1898.

Colony.	Revenue (exclusive of Loans).				Total.
	From Government.	Raised by Local Taxation.	From Other Sources.		
Victoria	£ 92,328	£ 832,489	£ 175,516		£ 1,100,333
New South Wales	94,870	465,421	160,604		720,895
Queensland	73,859	239,391	73,707		386,957
South Australia	25,750	132,892	107,476		266,118
Total	286,807	1,670,193	517,303		2,474,303
Tasmania	12,281	89,225	33,186		134,692
New Zealand	172,006	618,221	282,234		1,072,461*
Grand Total ...	471,094	2,377,639	832,723		3,681,456

* Exclusive of £271,535 other receipts (not revenue), consisting of loans, special grants from Government, and subscriptions for ordinary and special works.

19. LOANS OF CHIEF LOCAL BODIES OR CORPORATIONS OUTSTANDING IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES IN 1898.

Colony.	Municipalities.		Harbor and River Trusts or Boards.	City Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage.		Total.	
	Government Loans.	Other Loans.		Government Loans.	Other Loans.	Government Loans.	Other Loans.
Victoria	£ 449,050	3,536,264	£ 2,000,000	£ 2,359,157	£ 3,893,580	£ 2,808,207	£ 9,429,844
New South Wales ... ...	...	2,727,569*	...	...	...	...	* 2,727,569
Queensland	476,515	(?)	...	476,005	...	952,520	...
Tasmania	42,500	469,652	~ 44,139	...	...	42,500	513,791
New Zealand	789,965	2,895,547	3,846,507	...	200,000	789,965	6,942,054
Total	1,758,030	9,629,032	5,890,646	2,835,162	4,093,580	4,593,192	19,613,258

NOTE.—No information was available respecting the municipal loans of South Australia. In Victoria there was also a debt of £130,000 due by the Fire Brigades Board; £1,650,000 by the Melbourne Tramways Trust, which, however, has to be repaid by the Tramway Company. In Queensland, £309,727 due to the Government by Waterworks Boards; and in New Zealand, £21,200 (exclusive of Government loans) owing by the Land Drainage District Boards, &c.

* Including Government loans (if any).

20. STATE AND LOCAL FUNDED DEBTS, 1899.

Colony.	Amount of Debt.	Average per Head.	
		£	£ s. d.
Victoria ...	59,564,121	51 6 4	
New South Wales ...	64,300,400	47 16 0	
Queensland ...	33,908,141	71 6 6	
South Australia ...	24,916,310	67 14 5	
Western Australia ...	10,488,363	62 2 1	
Tasmania ...	8,235,011	45 16 5	
New Zealand ...	53,900,860	71 17 5	
Total ...	255,313,206	57 8 0	

NOTE.—The figures in this table represent the State funded debt on the 30th June, 1899, added to the local debts as shown in Table 19 and footnotes. No particulars are available of the local debts of South Australia and Western Australia, and consequently the State funded debt can only be given for these Colonies.

21. UPPER HOUSE IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES.—MEMBERS AND ELECTORS, 1899-00.

Colony.	Number of Members.	Number of Districts.	Manner of Appointment.	Term of Appointment.	Number of Electors.
Victoria ...	48	14	Elected	Six years	129,920
New South Wales ...	78*	...	Nominated	Life	...
Queensland ...	42	...	Nominated	Life	...
South Australia ...	24	4	Elected	Nine years	48,851
Western Australia ...	24	8	Elected	Six years	11,804
Tasmania ...	19	15	Elected	Six years	9,228
New Zealand ...	{ 22 } { 24 }	...	Nominated	{ Life Seven years }	...

NOTE.—A complete account of the system of Upper House representation in the different Australasian Colonies will be found in the *Victorian Year-Book*, 1892, Vol. I., paragraph 77 *et seq.*

* Increase chiefly to insure the passage of the Federal Bill.

22. LOWER HOUSE IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES.—MEMBERS AND ELECTORS 1899-00.

Colony.	Number of Members.	Number of Districts.	Number of Electors.
Victoria ...	95	84	257,006
New South Wales ...	125	125	301,999
Queensland ...	72	61	100,337
South Australia ...	54	27	153,268*
Western Australia ...	44	44	44,332
Tasmania ...	38	29	39,002
New Zealand + { Europeans	70	62	373,744*
{ Maoris ...	4	4	21,486*

NOTE.—A complete account of the system of Lower House representation in the different Australasian Colonies will be found in the *Victorian Year-Book*, 1892, Vol. I., paragraph 83 *et seq.* Since then, however, important changes have taken place in New South Wales; and in South Australia and New Zealand, women as well as men are now eligible to become electors for the Lower House.

* Including female electors, who numbered 69,411 in South Australia, and 163,215 (Europeans) in New Zealand.

† The figures in the lower line are for December, 1896. Those in the upper line relate to the year 1899.

23.—LOWER HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT IN AUSTRALASIAN COLONIES.—POPULATION, MEMBERS, ELECTORS, AND VOTES POLLED.

Colony.	Estimated Population, 31st December, 1899*.	Lower House, 1899-1900.				Last General Election.		
		Number of—		Inhabitants to each—		Electors to a Member.	Year.	Percentage of Electors who voted in contested Districts.
		Members.	Electors.	Member.	Elector.			
Victoria ...	1,163,400	95	257,006	12,246	4.53	2,705	1897	70.33
New South Wales ...	1,356,650	125	301,999	10,853	4.49	2,416	1898	56.41
Queensland ...	482,400	72	100,337	6,700	4.80	1,394	1899	79.13
South Australia + ...	370,700	54	153,268†	6,865	2.43	2,838	1899	61.23
Western Australia ...	171,032	44	44,332	3,887	3.85	1,008	1897	52.68
Tasmania ...	182,300	38	39,002	4,800	4.68	1,027	1900	72.00
New Zealand || ...	{ 756,500 39,854	70 4	373,744† 21,486§	10,807 9,963	2.02 1.85	5,339 5,371	{ 1899 1899	{ 79.06 75.70¶

* Except in the case of Western Australia, for which the figures relate to 30th June, 1900. —† Including Northern Territory. —

‡ Including female electors, as follows:—69,411 in South Australia, and 163,215 in New Zealand. —§ Adult Maori population of both sexes. —

|| The first line is for European, and the second for Maori representation. —¶ Europeans.

APPENDIX C.

STATISTICS OF FIJI, 1878 TO 1899.

** Fiji consists of from 70 to 80 inhabited islands, the estimated area of which is 7,500 square miles. There are also about 150 smaller islands uninhabited. The total area of the group is estimated to be 7,740 square miles.

Year.	Estimated Population on the 31st December.			Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Immigrants (Polynesians and Coolies only).		
	Males.		Females.				Males.		Total.
	Males.	Females.	Total.				Males.	Females.	Total.
1878	64,748	52,350	117,098	2,262	2,244	419	1,346	174	1,520
1879	67,697	52,962	120,659	3,654	3,532	1,356	2,098	288	2,386
1880	67,598	54,286	121,884	4,103	4,326	1,358	2,500	34	2,534
1881	71,323	57,188	128,511	4,321	4,411	1,056	1,100	58	1,158
1882	72,376	57,703	130,079	4,552	4,933	1,280	2,561	511	3,072
1883	71,540	58,354	129,894	4,649	5,310	1,097	2,013	546	2,559
1884	71,011	57,512	128,523	4,540	8,592	978	2,292	980	3,272
1885	69,860	57,419	127,279	4,319	5,775	1,133	1,422	736	2,158
1886	68,727	57,283	126,010	4,253	5,502	1,155	...	...	1,273
1887	66,144	58,514	124,658	4,749	4,365	1,167	...	...	276
1888	66,635	58,806	125,441	4,709	4,236	966	627	190	817
1889	67,480	57,439	124,919	4,289	4,906	1,102	475	180	655
1890	67,902	57,780	125,682	3,681	4,035	1,980	968	392	1,360
1891	67,981	57,421	125,402	4,335	5,948	1,065	993	377	1,370
1892	68,239	57,203	125,442	4,397	5,679	1,058	1,257	491	1,748
1893	67,507	55,205	122,712	4,600	5,659	1,106	535	242	777
1894	67,159	54,708	121,867	4,405	5,151	1,198	871	228	1,099
1895	66,350	53,895	120,245	4,154	5,812	1,241	1,175	461	1,636
1896	66,571	53,929	120,500	4,126	4,995	1,129	921	352	1,273
1897	67,410	54,388	121,798	4,075	4,443	1,303	925	406	1,331
1898	67,245	54,493	121,738	4,078	4,716	1,404	500	170	670
1899	67,788	54,885	122,673	4,191	4,319	1,898	744	285	1,029

Year.	Emigrants (Polynesians and Coolies only).			Public Revenue.			Public Expenditure.	Public Debt.	Value of Imports.	Value of Exports.
	Males.		Females.	Total.	Raised by Taxation.	Not raised by Taxation.				
	Males.	Females.	Total.			Total.				
1878	638	71	709	42,697	18,324	61,021	65,267	100,000	136,608	192,865
1879	313	32	345	46,260	21,511	67,771	71,108	120,000	142,213	169,040
1880	170	18	188	46,544	34,134	80,678	91,102	210,000	185,741	229,528
1881	860	24	884	49,606	37,837	87,443	89,960	254,025	276,040	174,146
1882	1,066	73	1,139	59,518	51,796	111,314	109,986	254,025	303,329	190,517
1883	1,251	94	1,345	74,805	32,009	106,814	88,277	254,025	450,595	351,998
1884	693	60	753	68,162	23,361	91,523	98,468	254,025	434,522	345,344
1885	1,681	265	1,946	62,985	13,684	76,669	92,209	264,025	294,585	326,750
1886	...	...	2,113	51,882	12,692	64,574	78,133	264,695	230,742	283,496
1887	...	...	1,634	41,616	23,300	64,916	73,150	265,389	188,071	281,080
1888	267	31	298	44,223	20,795	65,018	58,993	253,289	183,222	376,978
1889	410	187	597	44,316	19,406	63,722	57,710	251,090	189,393	464,282
1890	239	41	280	46,928	19,889	66,817	60,826	248,989	206,757	364,533
1891	364	125	489	57,267	13,983	71,250	67,820	246,690	253,049	474,334
1892	...	...	607	57,282	14,271	71,553	67,652	243,236	253,586	434,791
1893	396	187	583	58,990	18,684	76,774	85,981	239,682	276,398	355,632
1894	822	405	1,227	64,556	15,498	80,054	72,203	224,677	285,981	581,652
1895	522	442	964	63,215	15,025	78,240	76,204	221,037	241,759	332,208
1896	449	234	683	56,293	17,576	73,869	73,099	217,897	242,492	435,342
1897	25	9	34	56,474	18,018	74,492	73,232	213,257	248,748	431,860
1898	537	132	669	72,274	21,890	94,164	87,594	209,216	234,849	534,105
1899	433	114	547	81,288	17,333	98,621	95,568	205,076	263,044	481,856

STATISTICS OF FIJI, 1878 TO 1899—continued.

Year.	Shipping.				Crown Lands Granted and Sold in each Year.*	Live Stock.					
	Inwards.		Outwards.			acres.	Number of—				
	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.			Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.		
1878	124	23,180	128	24,080	39,476	200	3,000	3,100	50,000
1879	131	28,967	125	28,085	23,559	300	4,000	3,771	50,000
1880	157	32,933	150	32,689	27,562	360	5,000	4,769	50,000
1881	164	35,542	160	35,230	75,627	400	5,000	4,769	50,000
1882	163	43,768	165	43,757	65,745	600	5,000	4,000	50,000
1883	198	68,530	193	69,322	31,665	600	5,324	5,373	50,000
1884	150	63,246	144	64,731	38,325	610	4,600	5,869	50,000
1885	124	54,056	135	55,892	26,368	650	5,953	6,350	50,000
1886	118	54,132	113	51,237	14,028	567	6,841	6,055	50,000
1887	119	46,902	118	44,865	8,120	647	6,778	6,508	1,711
1888	106	49,579	110	51,548	6,300	684	6,754	6,996	1,903
1889	89	51,220	81	47,303	5,059	695	8,768	6,838	2,089
1890	79	56,711	89	60,644	2,824	695	6,988	6,800	2,000
1891	101	69,276	97	68,865	...	959	9,861	6,072	1,778
1892	91	71,444	91	67,865	6,935	1,202	9,462	6,050	1,736
1893	92	75,431	85	71,957	2,623	1,381	10,134	5,082	2,116
1894	135	128,622	135	130,251	...	1,538	9,386	4,130	1,478
1895	142	118,533	139	116,869	90‡	1,579	11,018	4,037	1,452
1896	132	115,470	129	115,586	21	1,631	12,558	4,760	1,276
1897	129	124,128	127	123,887	6	1,832	15,136	4,716	1,185
1898	127	133,752	127	132,767	1	1,909	15,675	4,577	1,290
1899	130	128,791	125	126,656	2,017	2,083	16,940	995	1,464

NOTE.—The following additional information is for the year 1899:—Birth rate, 34·16; Death rate, 35·20; Marriage rate, 15·47 per 1,000 persons living. *Immigration*—The total number of arrivals in 1899 was 1,684, of whom 557 were Europeans. *Emigration* (1899)—Total departures, 696, of whom 149 were Europeans.

Sources of Revenue—Customs duties, £52,631; other taxes, £28,657; other sources, £17,333. *Heads of Expenditure*—Interest on public debt, £9,28; Post Office, &c., £2,046; general administration, £38,950; law and protection, £17,792; public works, £21,723; other expenditure, £5,776. *Public Debt*—In 1899, consisted of £95,476 Imperial advances, bearing no interest, in aid of annexation, and in payment of compensation in respect of disallowed land claims; £100,000 for payment of liabilities of former so-called Government; and £50,000 for public works and immigration, less £40,400 redeemed, bearing interest at 4½ per cent.

Imports and Exports—Of the total value of imports, £247,369, or about 94 per cent., was from the Australasian Colonies (more than four-fifths being from New South Wales and about one-ninth from New Zealand), and £15,675 from other countries; and of the total value of exports, £424,299, or over 88 per cent., was to Australasian Colonies (seven-twelfths being to New Zealand, about one-seventh each to Victoria and New South Wales), and £57,557 to other countries; almost the whole of the exports were of Fijian production. *Postal Returns* (1899)—Number of offices, 45; letters, post-cards, and newspapers, 421,446. *Education*—Number of schools, 7 (2 public and 5 private); teachers, 18, viz., 7 males and 11 females; scholars on the rolls, 410, viz., 220 males and 190 females.

Agriculture—Land under cultivation (by whites only), 48,803 acres. The area and produce of the principal crops in 1899 were as follow:—

	Area in acres.	Produce.
Maize	..	518
Cocoanuts	..	20,891
Sugar	..	23,160
Bananas	..	2,228
Tea	..	210
Peanuts	..	230
Rice	..	714
Pine-apples, coffee, tobacco, beans	..	950
		Nuts, 8,247 sacks; copra, 7,228 tons
		28,403 tons
		463,985 bunches
		7 cwt.
		220 tons
		Pines and bananas, 47,216 cases
		Exports only.

* The total area alienated at the end of 1899 was 425,000 acres, and the area unalienated 4,528,920 acres. The amount realized by the State for sales of land to the end of 1875 was only £27,042, which, however, represents the price of but a small proportion of the acreage alienated. The majority of the grants issued were for lands acquired by whites and others previously to annexation, and these received their titles at the nominal price of one shilling.

† Returns from Europeans only since 1886

‡ Against this there were Crown grants recalled for correction of an area of 98 acres.

APPENDIX D.

STATISTICS OF BRITISH NEW GUINEA, 1888-9 TO 1898-9.

AREA, 90,000 SQUARE MILES.

Financial Year.	Estimated Population.	Public Revenue.			Public Expenditure.	Value of—		Shipping.				Gold Produced.*		Postal Returns.						
		Locally Raised.	Provided by Guarantee.	Total.		Imports.	Exports.	Inwards.		Outwards.		Quantity.	Value.	Received.			Despatched.			
								Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.			Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	Letters.	Packets.	Newspapers.	
1888-9†	Between 300,000 and 350,000	£2,680	£12,320	£15,000	£10,770	£11,109	£5,943	198	7,482	188	6,952	ozs.	£14,387	2,366	93	4,071	2,587	98	574	
1889-90		3,016	11,984	15,000	14,975	16,104	6,455	92	5,897	96	6,287	3,470	£12,440	3,166	111	6,844	2,586	84	590	
1890-91		2,674	12,326	15,000	15,000	15,530	8,434	64	4,597	61	4,365	2,426	8,371	2,664	142	6,042	2,191	88	468	
1891-2		4,784	10,216	15,000	15,000	23,755	11,289	56	4,966	55	5,977	1,235	4,322	4,393	260	8,505	3,917	160	756	
1892-3		4,605	10,395	15,000	15,000	25,261	14,966	42	3,351	34	3,300	582	2,236	4,679	230	6,749	4,011	427	276	
1893-4		5,867	9,133	15,000	15,000	28,501	14,952	35	3,872	27	2,791	1,128	3,906	6,280	157	8,131	5,297	467	240	
1894-5		5,109	9,891	15,000	15,000	28,367	16,215	104	6,605	78	6,082	728	2,565	6,279	129	7,146	6,189	468	776	
1895-6		6,547	8,453	15,000	15,000	34,521	19,401	89	10,387	60	9,472	1,373	4,735	7,130	246	7,197	4,987	281	828	
1896-7		10,663	4,337	15,000	16,228	51,391	35,654	85	13,650	65	15,174	7,148	25,018	11,148	181	7,441	11,550	475	1,635	
1897-8		10,281	4,719	15,000	14,991	46,971	49,859	92	13,642	76	12,909	6,831	25,612	9,604	249	8,691	10,203	497	2,135	
1898-9		11,683	3,317	15,000	15,583	52,170	68,496	92	19,583	81	19,191	12,012	44,185	16,045	584	10,609	11,529	1,102	2,337	

NOTES.—The Finances are supplied by a sum not exceeding £15,000 per annum, for which the Colony of Queensland has made itself primarily responsible, Victoria and New South Wales contributing equally with Queensland towards this amount. Local revenue is applied in reduction of the sums payable by the contributing colonies, and any credit balance in the appropriation account must be written off at the end of the year.

Crown lands may be alienated for agricultural purposes, at not less than 2s. 6d. per acre, conditional on the introduction of some new industry. Where no such condition as to improvements is imposed, the minimum prices are:—For agricultural land, 10s. per acre; pastoral land, 2s.; for trading or fishing purposes, £5; and for cocoanut planting, 5s. per acre. Areas not exceeding 50 acres may be sold under deferred payments, extending over 5 years, the minimum price in such cases being £1 per acre.

The following is additional information for the year 1898-9:—*Population.*—It is impossible to obtain anything more than a rude guess at the total of the indigenous population. The non-native population of the Possession in April, 1891, was about 272, of whom only 156 were whites, the remainder being chiefly Polynesians, Malays, &c. *Sources of Local Revenue.*—Customs duties, £9,884; licences, £428; gold-fields, £317; fees, fines, &c., £331; miscellaneous, £723. *Heads of Expenditure.*—Salaries and allowances, £8,237; vessels, £1,572; buildings and works, £484; agriculture, £130; and miscellaneous, £5,159. *Chief Exports.*—Gold, £4,185; sandalwood, £2,920; copra, 338 tons, value £2,907; pearl shell, 124 tons value £10,284; india-rubber, 8 tons, value £1,935; and bêche-de-mer, 22 tons, value £1,644.

* The figures for the years prior to 1898-9 represent the quantity of gold entered at Cooktown, Queensland, as received from British New Guinea, no other record being available. The number of miners on the gold-fields fell off from 700 or 800 in 1888-9 to about 40 in 1891-2; but again increased to about 150 in 1898-9, owing to the discovery of a new gold-field at Murna or Woodlark, and prospecting was being vigorously pursued along the course of the rivers N.E. coast with rather encouraging prospects.

† Ten months only.